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TELEGRAMS.

ULSTER SITUATION.

THE OLIVE BRANCH.

(Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph.")

London, Received April 30.
Yesterday's debate on the Ulster question in the House of Commons was also remarkable for its varying tone, opening in a warlike, but ending in a pacific manner. Mr. Churchill's offer of the olive branch proved the text of the pacific utterances of Mr. Balfour, Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Bolar Law. The last named invited Mr. Asquith to renew conversations, and offered to stand aside in order to let Lord Lansdowne or Sir Edward Carson negotiate.

Road to Settlement.

Mr. Asquith described the utterances of Mr. Balfour and Sir Edward Carson as landmarks in the history of the controversy, and expressed the opinion that the road to a settlement was not through bargaining on the floor of the House of Commons, but that there must be no settlement behind the backs of Ulstermen or of other Irishmen.

Important Developments.

The opinion is strengthening that the time limit for the exclusion of Ulster will be abandoned.

It is expected that Sir Edward Carson and Mr. John Redmond will participate in the next conference between the Party leaders.

A Hoax?

Eight destroyers left Bangor at nightfall to patrol the coast, in order to prevent gun-running. The *Daily Express* states that the destroyers were despatched to Bangor as the result of a hoax telegram, and that in the meantime another cargo of arms was landed elsewhere.

Writing from Dublin on April 2, the *Times* correspondent stated:—

I have received from a trustworthy correspondent in an Ulster town a vivid account of the preparations throughout the province for the raid which was expected 10 days ago. He says that on March 19 and 20 the dispatch riders on motor-cycles covered 10,000 miles. Volunteers stood by the church bells ready to ring out the alarm. The signalling system was so perfect that no part of the province was more than three hours from Belfast by night signals, without reference to any telegraph and telephone wire. In five minutes after the signal had been given all the telegraph and telephone wires would have been cut.

On both nights men, women, and children scattered carts, ploughs, and all sorts of obstructions along the main roads. Every trace of the obstacles was removed before daylight. The Volunteers had reason to believe that the military operations would include a considerable use of motor-cars.

The King and His Ministers.

The Solicitor-General, speaking at Kington on April 4, said that their opponents had thought fit to endeavour to involve the Crown in their intrigues. They would throw the Army and the Crown into the cauldron if by doing so they could get their way. Sir Stanley Buckmaster added:—I should like, and it is right, to say this with regard to the King, more particularly owing to the fact that Colonel Seely had just left him when he added the paragraphs that have been excised, and owing to the fact that the *Tory* newspapers have not hesitated to say that the King had interfered in great crisis.

TELEGRAMS.

ULSTER SITUATION.

NO CROWN INFLUENCE.

(Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph.")

London, Received April 30.
It is right that I should state my own plain unbiased opinion on the matter—I believe that throughout the whole of the long trying crisis the King has behaved with every regard, even the most sensitive regard, to constitutional form. That he is anxious about the present struggle no man can doubt; but there is no shadow of truth in the suggestion that he has attempted to use his influence for the purpose of obstructing or hindering in any way the progress of our measure. Still less is there any justification for the thought that he has ever threatened to interfere, or ever will interfere, with the advice of his Ministers (Cheers.)

Prevention of Gun-running.

London, Received May 1.

Mr. Asquith has announced that measures have already been taken which he hopes will prove effective in preventing any possible recurrence of gun-running. The Government was then carefully considering other aspects of the matter, but it was at present undesirable to make any public statement on the matter.

Optimism.

Advices from Belfast report a general optimistic tone since the events at Westminster, though distrust of the Government's bona fides is sporadically expressed.

Cabinet Meets Again.

Another meeting of the Cabinet, the fifth for this week, was held to-day, and the proceedings were most protracted. It is understood that the Cabinet is considering the question of the Irish settlement.

The brighter outlook of last evening is maintained and there are great hopes of a round table conference.

Cruisers Alert.

Three cruisers were observed patrolling off Lough Foyle yesterday morning. It was believed in Londonderry that their presence was due to a report, which has since proved unfounded, of landing of arms at Loughswilly from America for the Nationalists.

AUTHOR AND EDITOR.

Arnold Bennett's Experiences.

Mr. Arnold Bennett has produced a very lively little book, which first was published anonymously. Now he calls it "The Truth about an Author" (Methuen, 2s. 6d.), and very interesting glimpses you get of the mental development of a literary man, and especially A. B.

"I came to London at the age of twenty-one, with no definite ambition, and no immediate object save to escape from an intellectual and artistic environment which had long been excessively irksome to me."

He began by earning a scanty living as shorthand clerk in a solicitor's office.

"London the entity was at least as good as my dreams of it, but the general mass of the persons composing it, considered individually, were a sad disappointment. 'What differs!' I said to myself again and again. 'What differs!' I had come prepared to sit provincially at the feet of these Londoners! I was humble enough when I arrived, but they soon cured me of that—they were so ready to be impressed! What struck me was the extraordinary rarity of the men who really could 'do their job.' And when I found them, they

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TRADE IN CHINA.

GERMANY ALERT.

(Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph.")

London, Received April 30.
Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that in the course of a discussion on the Foreign Estimates in the Budget Committee of the Reichstag, the Reporter said that German influence in China was apparently receding and he demanded more German salaries Consuls and Trade Experts.

Herr von Jagow, Foreign Minister, declared that Belgium had secured particularly important concessions. He was unable to say whether Belgian capital alone was concerned. He referred preliminary agreements for to harbour work and railways concession made with the Banque Industrielle in return for a loan, and regretted the aloofness of German finance. The Government keenly desired the participation of German finance in the development of China. Another German Group, besides the Deutsche Asiatische Bank, was being formed which would provide finance for industry with a basis of far-reaching activity. The development of the Consular Service was receiving full attention. A third Commercial Expert, with residence at Canton, would be appointed as soon as a suitable person was available.

were invariably provincials like me who had come up with the same illusions and suffered the same enlightenment."

Then he became a free-lance. "The shame of the free-lance is none the less real because he alone witnesses it—he and the postman, that postman with elongated moustache, that herald of ignominy, that disarming process-server, who raps the rap of apprehension and probable doom six, eight, and even twelve times per diem!"

One outstanding incident marked Mr. Bennett's career as assistant editor of a ladies' paper, where he impersonated "Gwendolen," and other writers of wonderful columns!

"A layette, perhaps I ought to explain, is an outfit for a newborn babe, and naturally it is prepared in advance of the stranger's arrival. Underneath a page of layette illustrations I once put the legend, correct in nine hundred and ninety-nine cases out of a thousand—but this was the thousandth—Cut to measure patterns supplied. The solecism stands to all eternity against me on the file of the paper; and the recollection of it, like the recollection of a gaucheerie, is persistently haunting."

When Mr. Bennett went to see his first publisher about the MS. of his first novel, he had a lively sense of the journey and perils endured by that MS.

"My manuscript lay on an occasional table by his side, and I had the curious illusion that he was posing for his photograph with my manuscript. As I glanced at it I could not help thinking that its presence there bordered on the miraculous. I had parted with it at a post-office. It had been stamped, sorted, chucked into a van, whirled through the perilous traffic of London's centre, chucked out of a van, sorted again, and delivered with many other similar parcels at the publisher's. The publisher had said: 'Send this to So-and-So to read.' Then more perils by road and rail, more risks of extinction and disorientation. Then So-and-So, probably a court man, with a palate cloyed by the sickness of many manuscripts, and a short way with new authors, had read it or pretended to read it. Then finally the third ordeal

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RACING.

DERBY BETTING.

(Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph.")

London, Received May 1.
The latest betting for the Derby is:—
3 to 1 against The Tetrarch offered after 9 to 2 taken.
7 to 2 against Kennymore.
9 to 1 against Black Jester.

The probable starters and jockeys for the One Thousand Guineas, to be run at Newmarket to-day, are:—Flying Bridge (Clark), Fatality (Fox), Princess Dorrie (W. Huxley), Imperative (Randall), Lancaster Lady (Donoghue), Glorvina (Rickaby), Manuscript (Whalley), Sanwin (F. Templeman), Mira (Walter Griggs), Torchlight (Stora), White Lie (H. Jones), Clarchaven II (Hewitt), Princess Ziria (H. Robbins).

Jubilee Scratching.
Long Set was scratched from the Jubilee Stakes, to be run at Kempton Park on the 9th inst., at 3.43 to-day.

DUKE OF ARGYLL.

London, Received May 1.
The condition of the Duke of Argyll, who is suffering from double pneumonia, is less favourable.

Later.
The Duke of Argyll is unconscious.

of locomotion. And there it was, I saw it once more, said!

"I dined as an editor with other editors. I remember one day sitting down to table in a populous haunt of journalists with no less than four editors. 'Three years ago,' I said to myself, 'I should have deemed this an impossible fairy tale.' I know now that there are hundreds of persons in London and elsewhere who regard even editors with gentle and condescending toleration. One learns."

"I could 'execute' anything, from a eulogy of a philanthropic duchess to a Paris fashion letter. I could instruct a fashion-artist as though I knew what I was talking about. I could play Blücher at the Waterloo of the advertisement-manager. I could interview a beauty and make her say the things that a beauty must say in an interview. But to devise the contents of an issue, to plan them, to balance them; to sail with this wind and tack against that; to keep a sensitive cool finger on the faintly beating pulse of the terrible many-headed patron; to walk in a straight line through a forest black as midnight; to guess the riddle of the circulation-book week by week; to know by instinct why Smith sent in a repeat-order, or why Simpkins was ten quires less; to keep one eye on the majestic march of the world, and the other on the vagaries of a bazaar-reporter who has forgotten the law of libel: these things, and seventy-seven others, are the real journalism. It is these things that make editors sardonic, grey, unapproachable."

"Take your London morning paper, and observe the column devoted to fiction of the day. It comprises some fifteen hundred words and the reviewer receives, if he is well paid, three guineas for it. Five novels are discussed. Those novels will amount to sixteen hundred pages of printed matter. Reading at the rate of eight words a second, the reviewer would accomplish two pages a minute, and sixteen hundred pages in thirteen hours and twenty minutes. Add an hour and forty minutes for the composition, and we have

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GENERAL EWART.

NEW APPOINTMENT.

(Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph.")

London, Received May 1.
General Ewart who was stated on March 30 to have declined to withdraw his resignation has been appointed to the Scottish Command in succession to General Wolfe-Murray, K.C.B. who takes command in South Africa.

BOXING.

WELLS BEATS RICE.

London, Received May 1.
In a contest decided at Liverpool Bombardier Wells defeated Bandaman Rice on points.

SOMALILAND.

HOPES FOR FUTURE.

London, Received May 1.
In the House of Lords, Lord Stanhope criticised the Government's policy in Somaliland. Lord Crowe said the Government's hopes were to some extent frustrated by the lack of cohesion among the friendlies, but they had not abandoned hopes that the country might be made tolerably peaceful.

fifteen hours, or two days' work. Do you imagine that the reviewer of a London morning paper is going to hire out his immortal soul, his experience, his mere skill, at the rate of thirty-one and sixpence per day on irregular jobs? Scarcely. He will earn his three guineas inside three hours, and it will be well and truly earned. As a journeyman author, with the ability and inclination to turn my pen in any direction at request, I long ago established a rule never to work for less than ten shillings an hour on piece-work.

"If an editor commissioned an article, he received from me as much fundamental brain-power and as much time as the article demanded—up to the limit of his pay in terms of hours at ten shillings apiece. But each year I raise my price per hour. Of course, when I am working on my own initiative, for the sole advancement of my artistic reputation, I ignore finance and think of glory alone. "It cannot, however, be too clearly understood that the professional author, the man who depends entirely on his pen for the continuance of breath, and whose income is at the mercy of an illness or a headache," is eternally compromising between glory and something more edible and warmer at night. He labours in the first place for food; shelter, tailors, a woman, European travel, horses, stalls at the opera, good cigars, ambrosial evenings in restaurants; and he gives glory the best chance he can. I am not speaking of geniuses with a mania for posterity; I am speaking of human beings."

Obviously this autobiography of Mr. Bennett is a very lively and entertaining book.

TELEGRAMS.

MARCONI AFFAIR.

THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

(Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph.")

London, Received May 1.
The Marconi Committee's report has been issued, and is unanimous. The report finds that Baron Murray committed errors which he admitted himself but that there is nothing reflecting on his personal honour. The report expresses the strong opinion that office-holders ought to be precluded from indulging in speculative transactions.

MEXICAN WAR.

QUESTION OF ARMISTICE.

London, Received April 30.
Reuter's Washington correspondent says General Carranza has consented to mediation. It is understood that the proposal for an armistice will be submitted to General Carranza.

WAR LEVY.

GERMAN ASSESSMENT.

London, Received May 1.
Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the assessment of a milliard marks for the war levy has been completed as regards Greater Berlin, whose contributions total 144,663,600 marks. This is regarded as indicating that the levy will considerably exceed a milliard marks.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR.

GRATIFYING PROGRESS.

London, Received May 1.
Reuter's correspondent at Vienna states that the Emperor is making gratifying progress.

Cambridge University Accounts.

The Cambridge University accounts for 1913 show a total receipt in the University chest of £53,400, an increase of £100 as compared with 1912. The expenditure amounts to £52,546, and the balance carried forward to £3,308. The contributions of the Colleges to the Common University Fund amount to £30,130, of which £2,480 is paid in the form of Fellowships. The sum of £13,891 has been expended in stipends, £1,000 paid to the Library, £1,840 applied to pension funds, and £5,427 was appropriated to interest and repayments of loans for new buildings. The Benefaction Fund shows receipts of £7,710 for various purposes and an expenditure of about the same amount.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

Latest Derby betting is given to-day.

The Duke of Argyll is reported to be unconscious.

The Austrian Emperor is making gratifying progress.

Bombardier Wells defeated Bandaman Rice at Liverpool.

The fifth Cabinet meeting for this week was most prolonged.

General Ewart has been appointed to the Scottish Command.

The proposal for an armistice in Mexico will be submitted to General Carranza.

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The assessment of the war levy for Greater Berlin indicates that the levy will exceed a milliard marks.

An optimistic tone prevails on the Ulster question, and there are great hopes of a round table conference.

Mr. Asquith says measures have been taken to prevent a recurrence of gun-running in Ireland.

The German Foreign Minister has made an important statement on Germany's policy in regard to trade in China.

On a debate regarding Somaliland, Lord Crowe said there were hopes that the country might be made tolerably peaceful.

It is expected that Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Redmond will participate in the next conference of party leaders.

The Marconi Committee's report has been issued. It finds that there is nothing reflecting on Baron Murray's personal honour.

NEWS.

General news appear on page 3 and log book on page 6.

The Sanitary Board election takes place this afternoon.

An assault charge against a lady failed at the Police Court this morning.

Mr. H. A. Nisbet easily defeated Mr. Green in the tennis championship last night.

The Tai On has arrived and is still burning. She lies behind Stonecutters Island.

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Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.
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TO-MORROW.

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Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bandmann Opera Co.—Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

V. R. O. Athletic Sports—1.30 p.m.
Interport Shoot. Hongkong fire at Kowloon.

R. H. K. Y. C. Ladies' Day.

Saturday May 2.

H. K. Volunteer Reserves Annual Dinner.

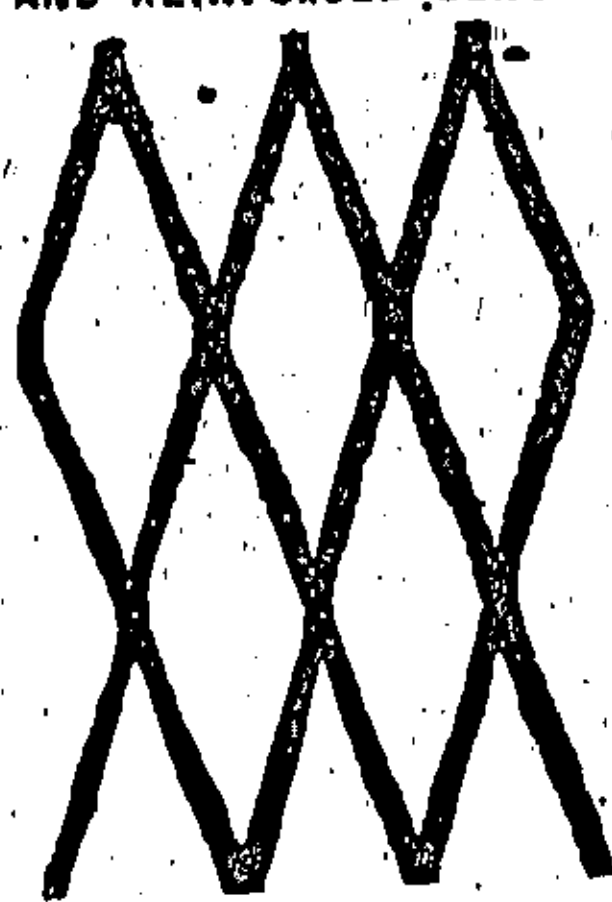
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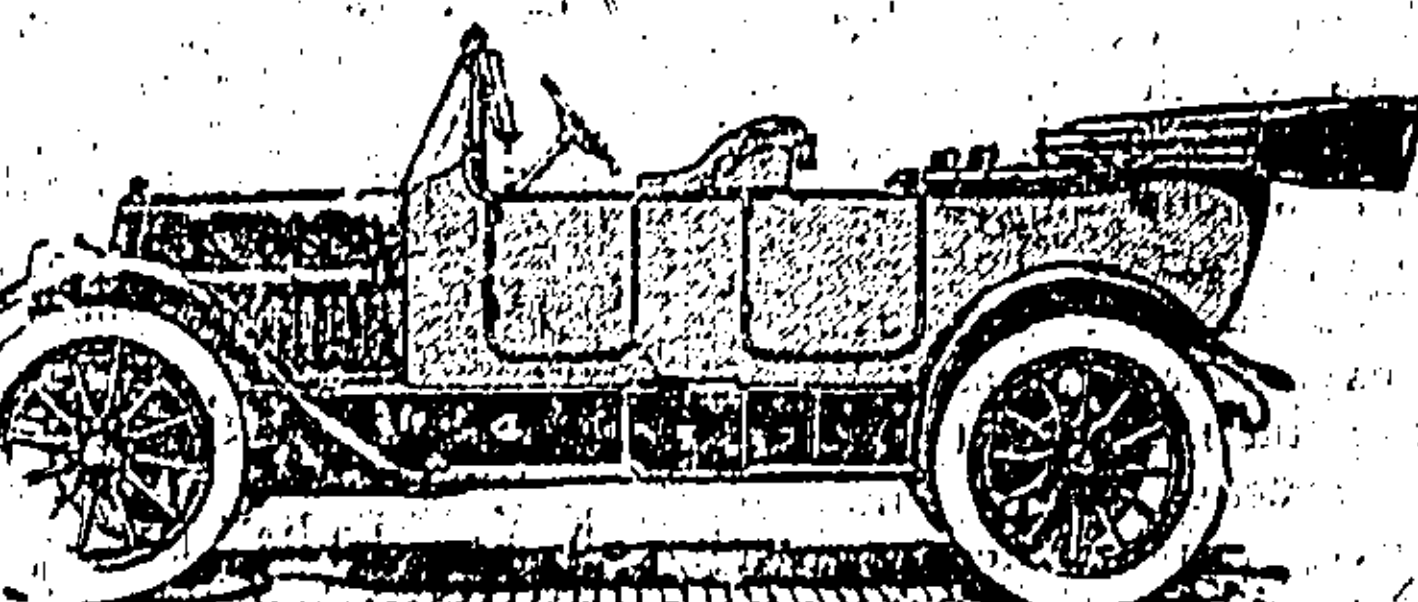
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Daily Press.

The Prevention of Piracy.
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searchers as well as men would
soon be a desirable step in
view of the suspicion which
widely prevails that arms are
smuggled aboard ship by women,
and if the suggestion that all
baggage should be looked in a
store-room is a practical one, that
also would be a useful precaution.
There is something to be said,
too, for the offer of a substantial
reward for information of an in-
tended piracy, for there is a strong
suspicion that these adventures
are planned in Hongkong. We
have heard it suggested that the
pirate gangs get to know the
movements of treasure and are in-
formed when emigrants returning
from abroad with their savings
on their person are intending to
make the journey from Hongkong
to their native homes. We do not
know what evidence exists for
these suggestions, but it should
not be a difficult matter for the
police to ascertain, for instance,
whether in the present case there
were any considerable number of
such emigrants from Vancouver
or the South among the pas-
sengers. The community looks
to the Government to secure the
safety of those who travel in the
neighbouring waters, and in such
a matter we cannot doubt that
the Government will receive all
reasonable assistance from the
shipping companies.

China Mail.

Draught of Ships on Cost of
Transport.

As to the actual effect of in-
creased draught on the economy
of ships, Professor Sir John H.
Biles recently gave to the Domi-
nions Commission some suggestive
data. It may be remembered that
some years ago he tackled the
problem and presented to the
Institution of Naval Architects a
lucid case in favour of increased
draught. His paper on that occasion
took as a basis a 500-ft. cargo-
carrier of 28 ft. draught and 12
knots speed. By increasing the
length of the ship to 700 ft.
without increasing the draught
the actual cost of cargo-carrying
would be increased from 8s. 6d. to
11s. 2d. per ton on a 5,000 seamile
voyage, whereas the draught
increased in correct ratio to the
length of the ship the cost would
be reduced from 8s. 6d. in the 500-
ft. ship to 7s. per ton in the case
of the 700-ft. steamer. In other
words, advance in size, including
depth of hull, if rendered possible
by deeper channels and harbours,
would convert the loss of 2s. 6d. in
the 500 ft. ship to a gain of 1s. 6d.,
as compared with the 500 feet
ship on a 5,000-mile voyage.

South China Morning Post.

Far Eastern Shipping.
The position of British com-
mercial and maritime interests is
the subject of rather a gloomy
and pessimistic report sent home
by Mr. Hodgson the British Con-
sul at Vladivostok. Of British
trade he remarks that it has never
been anything but insignificant,
and in 1912, it was, as far as can
be judged, rather more so than
usual. The actual volume of
British trade cannot be ascertained,
the greater part of it being
shipped through Hamburg and
Antwerp and accredited to Ger-
many. As a consequence British
imports are not deemed of suffi-
cient importance to be put under
a heading by themselves. Why
they should cut such a poor figure
is difficult to understand but Mr.
Hodgson, as too many others have
done before him, attributes this
to British indifference. In times
gone by, he says, British manu-
facturers dismissed the country
from their minds as not worth
bothering about and now—natu-
rally enough—hesitate to take the
steps necessary to recover lost
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GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. Balfour's Latest Record.
Some day, perhaps, adequate recognition will be made of the obligation which Mr. Balfour has rendered to his generation, says the *People*.

As a statesman, Party leader, critic, and philosopher, indeed, his services are too conspicuous to escape attention; but they do not by any means exhaust his claim to gratitude. Although he has always been a professor of Conservative principles, Mr. Balfour has, in fact, been one of our greatest innovators—a breaker-down of conventions and tradition, a bringer of new things.

It is more than thirty years ago since he startled official propriety by attending Cabinet meetings in a soft felt hat and a jacket suit. Then he helped to establish the week-end habit, which is now one of our most established institutions; and thanks to his influence, more than to any other, golf was introduced into this country as a national pastime. But having started all his contemporaries and juniors on golf, Mr. Balfour has made another departure—he has taken up lawn-tennis, in spite of the handicap of sixty-five years. An ex-Prime Minister entering for a lawn-tennis tournament is an unparalleled portent. But it is one that is immensely encouraging.

To hobnob the Hincense.

A gentleman, rushing from his dining room into the hall and sniffling disgustedly, demanded of James, the footman, whence arose the outrageous odour that was pervading the whole house. To which James replied: "You see, sir, to-day is a saint's day, and the butler, o's 'Igh Church, and is burning hincense, and the cook, she's Low Church, and is burning brown paper to hobnob the hincense."—*Liverpool Post*.

Was he a Jonah?

A correspondent writes to the *Times*:

The head of a firm of chartered accountants carrying on business in the City had two appointments at his office booked for last Friday. Some time past the hour fixed for the first interview he learnt by telegram that his client had died that morning, after an operation for appendicitis. In the afternoon the accountant waited for his second client, who failed to appear, and when a message of inquiry was sent, the reply was that he also had died suddenly—of appendicitis.

An hour or two afterwards the accountant's wife came to his office with the news, received by telegram, that her mother had been drowned in a boat accident at Venice, and hardly had she made up her mind to make a hurried journey to Italy when there came a second telegram saying that her sister as well as her mother had perished. Saidom does it come into the experience of any man to encounter in a single day so many successive blows of tragic circumstance.

New Zealand Observatory.
Miss Mary Proctor, daughter of the astronomer, the late Richard A. Proctor, was a passenger in the R.M.S. Otway, which arrived in London last month. She is returning from New Zealand, after successfully accomplishing her purpose in arousing interest in the erection of a solar observatory in that country.

Through the generosity of Mr. Thomas Cawthron, of Nelson, New Zealand, who has expressed his readiness to give £50,000 for the purpose of building, equipping, and endowing a solar physics observatory in New Zealand, the final link in the chain of such observatories round the world has now been forged.

Guide at the National Gallery.
The National Gallery now possesses an official guide in the person of Mr. Kaines Smith. The appointment has been made with a view to increasing the usefulness and interest of the great collection, as it has been felt that, owing to the lack of expert information, many of those visiting the Gallery in the past have failed to appreciate the significance of what they saw. Mr. Kaines Smith gave his first lectures on April 14. An interesting question raised by the lectures is whether they are likely to lead to accusations of an attempt to recognize an official school of criticism. Such, of course, is not the case, but it will be necessary for the lecturer to be extremely liberal-minded and to tread warily.

AN INNOCENT MAN.

Sir A. Conan Doyle's Plea for Oscar Slater.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has outlined to an *Express* representative the principal points on which, in his opinion, attention should be concentrated by those appointed to conduct the re-investigation of the case of Oscar Slater which has been ordered by the Secretary for Scotland, Mr. McKinnon Wood.

The creator of Sherlock Holmes has all along been convinced of the innocence of Slater, who was condemned to death at Edinburgh for the murder of Miss Marion Gilchrist in her flat at Glasgow on December 21, 1908, and who is now in Peterhead Prison, the capital sentence having been commuted, two days before the date fixed for his execution, to penal servitude for life.

Numerous discrepancies and inconsistencies in the evidence for the prosecution were pointed out by the famous author and criminologist in a pamphlet published shortly after the trial, but he modestly disclaimed the credit of being the first to draw public attention to the weakness of the case against Slater, the writer of the preface to a report of the proceedings in the High Court at Edinburgh having been in the field before him.

"The conviction of Slater was nothing short of a scandal, and I am delighted to learn that the case is being re-investigated," said Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. "Never for one moment from the time I first read the case have I believed that Slater was guilty, and it is terrible to think that an innocent man should be lying in prison, so I shall always respect Mr. McKinnon Wood for having the strength of mind and sense of justice to bring up the case again."

Searching Inquiry Needed.
"The public conscience will not be at its ease until the case has been thoroughly investigated by an impartial commission such as that which established the innocence of Edalji. To my mind the most important point for consideration is the manner in which Slater came to be suspected at all. The only article missing from the flat was a crescent diamond brooch, and shortly after the murder the police heard that Slater had endeavoured to dispose of the pawn-ticket of a brooch that appeared from the description given to be the one which, presumably, had been stolen by the murderer. Consequently, they came to the conclusion that he was the man, and at that time that was the only thing which caused them to suspect him. He was then on his way to America. He had weeks before announced his intention of going away—it was no sudden impulse or secret flight—and certain letters are stated to have been received by him which would explain why he rather hurried his departure. The police had him arrested on landing at New York, and they found no him a pawn-ticket for a diamond brooch. This enabled them to recover the brooch—but it was not the one missing from the flat after all! Therefore, assuming for the moment that

Slater was guilty, you are faced with the extraordinary, incredible coincidence that the police got hold of the right man by a mistake. It is utterly inconceivable that they should secure the right man by an accident like that, but it is certainly only human nature that, having once arrested a man, they should seize on other points—afterthoughts and quite secondary matters—and build their case on those points, abandoning entirely the original cause for suspicion.

Grave Mis-statement.

"Another point of great importance is that a mis-statement was made by the Lord Advocate in his speech for the Crown, a mis-statement which does not appear to have been corrected at the moment by either the judge or the defending counsel. He spoke without notes—a most dangerous thing to do—and in the course of his very eloquent speech made an allegation that Slater's name had appeared in the Glasgow papers, and that subsequent to that he fled from the country. The point is of vital importance, and an examination of the dates will show that there was absolutely no foundation for the statement. His name did not appear in the papers until nearly a week later, and by that time he was far out in the Atlantic."

It will be remembered that the murder was discovered by Helen Lambie (Miss Gilchrist's maid) and Arthur Adams, the occupier of the flat below, who had been attracted by unusual noises. The two entered the flat together, and as they did so a man emerged and made his escape. A girl named Barrowman also saw the man presumed to be the murderer running away from the flat.

In Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's opinion the evidence of identification given by those three witnesses only amounted to "half-hearted recognitions," and he is at a loss to understand how any one could accept it as being enough to establish the guilt of the prisoner, especially in view of the fact that in the Beck case, there were ten witnesses who had seen the real criminal under normal circumstances, and yet were all prepared to swear to the wrong man.

Other points to which Sir Arthur attaches importance are that nothing really incriminating was found in Slater's trunk, and there were no bloodstains on any of his belongings; the evidence called by the defence to show that Slater could not have been at the flat at the time of the murder; and the failure of the prosecution to produce the least connecting link between Slater and the murdered woman. Five out of fifteen jurymen voted for not proven, and another for not guilty—a division of opinion which, under English law, would have resulted in a new trial.

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Mr. W. G. Williams, Official Receiver, reported that the applicant had obtained an order of the Court to expunge proofs of debt amounting to £45,000, and the provable debts now did not exceed £1,630. The debtor had returned assets to the value of £25,900 alleged to be due from three insurance companies on whose behalf he had, whilst acting as their agent in China, paid fire claims which were not admitted by the said companies, and so far as the Official Receiver could judge, it would be practically impossible for a trustee in bankruptcy to realize them. The debtor had carried on business in China and Japan, and returned to this country in June, 1911. He attributed his appearance at the Court to delay in obtaining payment of his claims against the insurance companies, and to his inability to dispose of certain mining concessions in Southern

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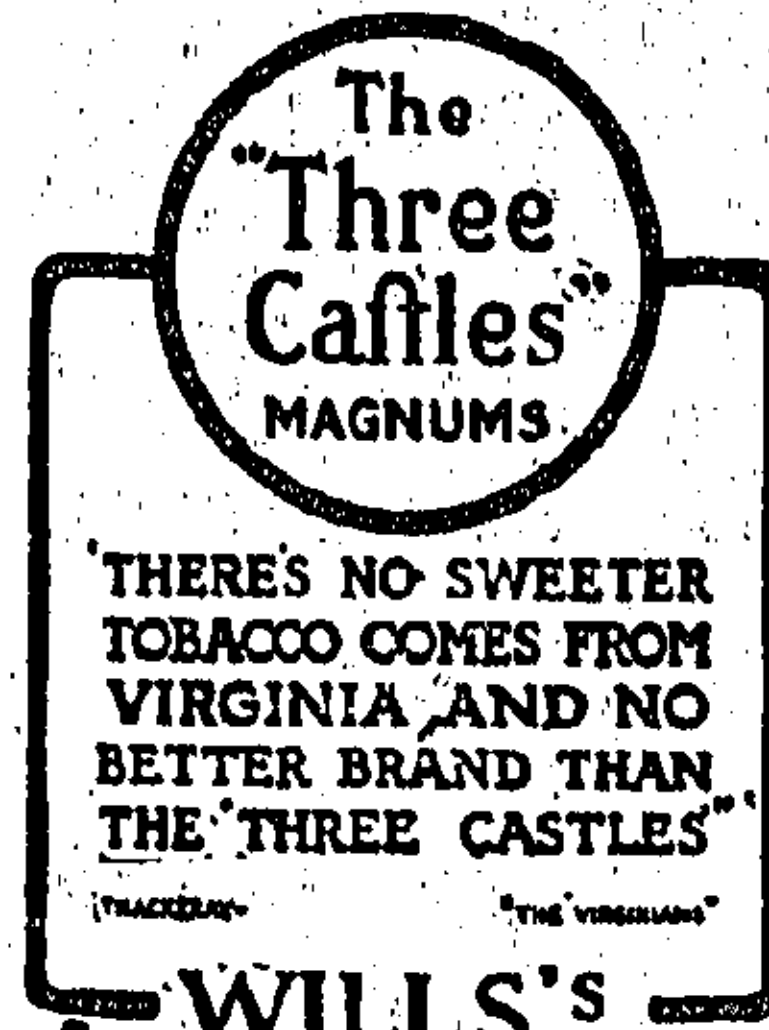
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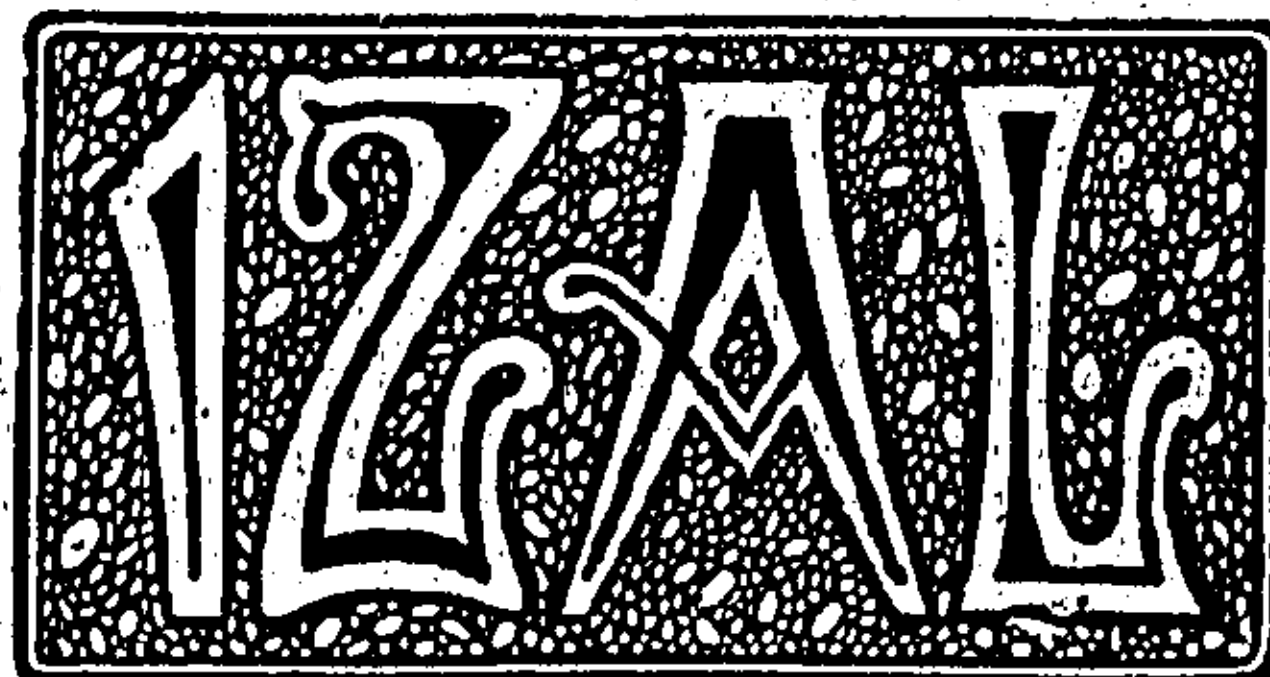
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CHINA AND MEDICAL SCIENCE.

It is good to find that amid all the difficulties confronting the Chinese government there are found men who let tumult and turmoil pass almost unheeded and who spend their lives in the cause of science. Such a man, it would appear, is Dr. Wu Lien-teh, director and chief medical officer of the Manchurian plague preventive service, who has just submitted a memorandum on medical education to the Ministry of Education. From this we learn that in the Chinese army medical work is divided between two classes of army surgeons—native-trained and western-trained. Soldiers who are suffering from internal complaints are attended by native doctors. External wounds of any kind are treated by western-trained doctors. Anything more extraordinary could hardly be imagined. If the Chinese are not satisfied that Western medical practice is superior to that of China, it should hold to its old methods. If the newer methods are held to be better, as they should be in the light of plain facts, the old practice should be discarded for good. There should be no tinkering with an important subject.

It is pleasing, however, to see that there are men like Dr. Wu who realise, with something like fullness, what is wanted for China. He states, for instance, that the Chinese western trained man's hospital results are compared, not with methods superior to his own, with a view to healthy rivalry, but with inferior methods. "Thus he becomes misled into a belief that he has reached the ideal and entertains no incentive to improve in his profession." He states also that very few of the graduates of the present medical institutions of China are as yet able to perform other than minor operations. Serious operations are seldom attempted even when urgently needed to save life, and brain surgery is unknown.

How great is the need for having medical science promoted in China was shown in a telegram from Nanking the other day in which it was stated that there were thousands of deaths from smallpox. Western peoples know ravages of smallpox can be arrested, and have been to a great extent, by vaccination, and what is wanted in China is to have sufficient men trained in medical science to drive into the minds of the people the worth of vaccination. Dr. Wu is of opinion that, if medical practice is to take root permanently in China, properly managed schools of medicine with attendant hospitals should be established, where a sound education in modern medical science can be obtained. The scheme which he submits to the Ministry of Education is, so far as can be gathered from a summary of it, sane and comprehensive. It aims in short, at placing medical science in China on somewhat the same footing as in the West, able to combat disease as much by prevention as by cure, and able also to keep pace with the new ideas which are constantly being developed. So long as China has men so far-seeing as Dr. Wu in her midst she will do very well.

Brother Peter's Death.

The death of Brother Peter is an event more than usually sad. Just a week ago, at the first annual dinner of the St. Joseph's College Association, he appeared full of life and enthusiasm, a tall, strong man, charged with hope and buoyancy. His speech that evening showed that he was glad to be back in Hongkong and that he was eagerly looking forward to the future which was to hold changes. Brother Peter took a keen interest in education generally; his outlook was not restricted to St. Joseph's College. He was especially favourable to Hongkong University and warmly supported the movement for substituting the Hongkong University examinations for the Oxford Local. So much he stated just eight days ago with much satisfaction. His death has been startlingly sudden. He was just forty and a man of apparently fine physique. But death is no respecter of persons.

Foreign Consideration.
Peking would appear to be in extreme financial straits. A few days ago the Central Government was earnestly appealing to the Provinces for funds with which to pay official salaries—a sufficient indication of the stringency prevailing at the heart of the Republic. Since then, however, it has been reported that the Quintuple Group intends releasing a sum of five million dollars from the salt revenue to enable the Government to tide over the period of anxiety. That, if it is true, supplies yet further testimony of the consideration and forbearance which foreign financiers display towards China. It has unhappily been the case that, while China has been only too glad to avail herself of financial help from abroad, there has been too frequent disposition in official quarters to credit the lenders with a desire to bleed the Republic to death. How utterly unworthy and false such an assertion is, this generous attitude of the Quintuple Group clearly shows.

Trade in China.

Just at the moment foreign countries are manifesting a very lively interest in trade openings in China. We have seen how quite recently France, Belgium and Japan have been strengthening their positions, and now, as a to-day's telegram will show, Germany is on the alert. In a discussion in the Reichstag a demand was made for more salaried Consuls and Trade Experts, and in an important statement the Foreign Minister stated that the development of the Consular Service was receiving full attention, adding that a third commercial expert, with residence at Canton, is about to be appointed. The open-minded observer of international competition cannot but admire the tenacity and enterprise of Germany in China, which provide an object lesson for other nations. Britain will need to look to her interests if she is to continue to hold her own, and a little more sympathy will have to be shown by the Government than was evidenced in the recent replies in the Commons to questions regarding our position in the Yangtze region.

The Guinea's Winner.

The winner of the Two Thousand Guineas must have come on a bit during the winter and must have shown very decent form to be backed down to 2 to 1 for the race. On last year's form he was not quite so good as a horse as Corcora, which ran second in the Guinea. They met twice as two-year-olds—the only two occasions, indeed, in which Wednesday's winner was out. In the Middle Park Plate, which often provides a good line for the following year's Derby, Kennymore could get no nearer than third, three lengths behind, to Corcora, who was conceding four pounds. A fortnight later they met in the Dewhurst Plate when Kennymore won from Corcora by two lengths, but as he was in receipt of no less than ten pounds his victory was more than neutralised by the difference in the weights. Corcora was confidently expected to win that race and odds of 5 to 2 on were betted. Even if Kennymore has greatly improved he has little chance against The Trotter, if the latter has come on as he should have done. But mystery hangs around the favourite like a mantle.

DAY BY DAY.

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The Weather.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp 78; rain.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp 71; rain, fog.

The Mails.
Siberian Mail—Arrived per a.s. Nubia this morning.
Australian Mail—Left per a.s. Aldenham at 10 a.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail—Closes per a.s. Kanchow at 5 p.m. to-morrow.
The German Mail of March 31 was delivered in London on April 30.

Further Theft at Fan Ling.
The No. 4 boy of the Fan Ling Golf Club reports that on the 29th ult. some person stole from the servants' quarters several pieces of clothing, value \$15.

Assaultant "Wanted."
A Chinese male, aged 23, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from cuts on ear and chest, inflicted by a man named Lu Ka, who has absconded.

Boy Wounded.
Leung Shui, a Chinese aged about 15, was yesterday sent to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from a wound in the neck, inflicted with an earthenware chatty, by a man who is in custody.

Attempted Suicide.
The Police yesterday sent to the Government Civil Hospital an unknown Chinese male, age about 25 years, who was found unconscious, hanging by the neck, by means of a cloth girdle, to a pole under the police station close to No. 8 Police Station.

Mad?
Inspector Mellardy, of the Eastern District, has sent to the Government Civil Hospital a Chinese male, unknown, age about 20, who was found on top of a street lamp in Ship Street, causing a crowd to collect. Apparently the man is mentally unsound.

Jewel Theft.
Ho Cheng-shi, of 15 Queen Victoria Street, reports that between 4 and 6 a.m. to-day some person entered the house, by breaking the lock off a trap-door in the roof, and stole jewellery value \$1,385, clothing value \$150 and cash to the amount of \$160.

Another Handbag Snatched.
Mrs. Bell, residing at the Peak Hotel, has reported to the Police that, whilst walking along Queen's Road, near Queen Victoria Street, yesterday between 10 and 10.30 a.m., a Chinese, whom she cannot identify, stole from her hand a handbag value \$8, containing a gold watch and several articles of jewellery, and \$4 in money.

Fire Alarm.
At 5.30 a.m. to-day an alarm of fire was raised on the ground floor of No. 2 Tang Street, which is used as a herb and medicine shop. The fire which had been caused by the ignition of a quantity of herbs that were being dried over a stove, was extinguished by the inmates in about five minutes, the damage done amounting to some \$5. The Fire Brigade attended.

TAI ON PIRACY.

Vessel Arrives and is Still Burning.

The police have found the remains of about twelve people on board the Tai On, which now lies at Chung Sha-wan, behind Stonecutters Island, where she was anchored last night. At the time of writing she is under a guard of Police and this morning it was found that she was still burning. This fact naturally tells against the chances of her being used by the pirates of the ship.

CANTON OFFICIALS INTERVIEWED.

GENERAL LUNG AND TRADE CONDITIONS.

Police Superintendent on Piracy.

This afternoon the *Telegraph* was fortunate enough to secure brief interviews with the two prominent Canton officials who are paying a visit to Hongkong to convey to His Excellency the Governor the respects of the Tuhuh and the Civil Governor of Kwangtung. The visitors are General Lung Kan Kwong (Military Pacification Commissioner, and a brother of the Tuhuh) and Colonel Tong Lu Kwong, Captain Superintendent of Police at Canton. They had spent a busy morning making various calls, and could only spare the *Telegraph* a few minutes for a brief chat.

General Lung, speaking through his interpreter, said he was very much gratified at the kindness shown to them by His Excellency the Governor, and they were extremely grateful for the official courtesy which had been shown them on their visit.

In the course of the conversation, mention was made of trade between Hongkong and Canton, and General Lung stated that the Governor General of Canton was doing everything he could to improve the conditions of trade between the two ports. He added, "Whenever there is any difficulty, the Governor General is quite prepared to confer with the Hongkong Government and to consult with Hongkong merchants as to any desirable measures which can be taken."

The *Telegraph* suggested that at the moment the greatest hindrance to trade was the debased currency notes. General Lung replied that, "The matter of the notes is in the hands of the Central Government, and we hear that the Government has already appointed an official named Wong King-fong to look into the matter at an early date."

According to latest information from Peking, said the Commissioner, "a big sum of money will very soon be remitted to Canton for the establishment of a bank to redeem these notes."

The Piracy Evil.
In a short talk with Colonel Tang Lu-kwong, the Superintendent of Police, the piracy evil was mentioned.

"In the recent piracies," remarked Colonel Tang, "all the robbers went on board the steamers in Hongkong. If therefore effective measures can be taken in Hongkong to prevent the smuggling of arms on board steamers, and in dealing with the receivers of stolen goods, these should help a great deal towards suppressing the evil."

On it being suggested that the West River was notorious as the haunt of pirates, Colonel Tang observed that there were now not many pirates in that region. "Sharp vigilance," he said, "is being kept on these men all along the West River, and one result is that many of them have been driven down to Macao and Hongkong waters, where they have taken shelter and resumed their raids."

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OUR DOGS.

ASSAULT CHARGE AGAINST A LADY FAILS.

How a Dog was led to the Home.

Before Mr. Wood at the Police Court, this morning, Grace Macdonald, 9A Wong-nai-cheong Road, answered to a summons charging her with assaulting a lunk in the execution of his duty, and some remarkable testimony as to how dogs are brought to the dogs' home was given.

Defendant said the complainant was so brutally ill-treating the dog, kicking it and lashing it and holding it up by the neck, that it caused her to interfere. She asked him not to do it as the dog would be led but not driven. He then called her names in Chinese.

The constable said he was on duty in Wong-nai-cheong village and he caught a black dog which weighed about thirty-five or thirty-six catties. He passed by the door of defendant's house and he saw the defendant coming out. Defendant seized the bamboo witness was holding the dog with and she asked him to release the dog. He then told her he was a constable and produced a police whistle from his pocket. He told her he had received instructions to take all stray dogs and if he let this dog go it might bite someone. She again asked for the dog to be released, but when he refused she slapped him twice across the face. That was all that happened. He took the number of defendant's house and took the dog to the Dog's Home.

Inspector Mellardy said the constable went out with a bamboo pole and seized the dogs by the neck. Every dog did not go along quietly, some were dragged along. The dogs were taken to the Dog's Home.

His Worship said he must drag it with a bamboo pole wherever he catches it to the Dog's Home? Inspector Mellardy said—Yes.

Weren't there formerly some cages taken round?—There is one cage which comes down, but at No. 2 station there is no cage at all. There is one in the central district I think it is the only station that has a cage and they bring them down in a cage after they have been captured.

His Worship said he was of the opinion that cages should be used.

Grace Macdonald, 9 Wong-nai-cheong Road, said she heard the "unmerciful cries" of the dog. She saw the poor dumb brute lashed and kicked about. Had she been a man she would have killed him. He said insulting things to her in Chinese which she understood. She could not get hold of the constable because he dodged her. The dogs in the village were very quiet. The dog was bleeding and foaming from the mouth. It was because it was being ill-treated that the dog whined and would not go with the constable. She was a lover of animals and she did not like to see them ill-treated. She never raised her hand to the constable. She had her son in Court who would testify to that.

Defendant's son said on hearing the cries of the dog, his mother went out and told the man with dog to let it go. The man said something, but witness could not say what he said. The dog was foaming at the mouth and was bleeding a little. He saw the man beat the dog with a stick and kick it.

His Worship in dismissing the case said he thought it would have been better if defendant had complained to the Inspector. No doubt some of the dogs would require sterner treatment than others.

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BRITANNIA AIRSHIP.

Letter to His Excellency the Governor.

We publish below the text of a letter from the Britannia Airship Committee which has been addressed to H.E. Governor. The committee, which has been formed for the purpose of demonstrating the superiority of the Britannia design of airship over those of other nations, numbers among its members:—Lord Methuen, Field Marshal; Admiral the Hon. Sir E. Fremantle, Lord Charles Darnley, Sir George Kekewich, and Capt. Hawtrey, hon. secretary.

The movement is purely a patriotic one. The letter to His Excellency is as follows:—

His Excellency Sir Francis H. May, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong.

Dear Sir,
I have pleasure in enclosing particulars of the Britannia Airship Movement. The Britannia Airship Committee which has been formed for the purpose of demonstrating by actual trial that the Britannia design is superior to any rigid airship yet built, and after satisfactory trial presenting the same to the nation as an unconditional gift, have decided to invite the overseas dominions to participate. I trust that you will kindly assist the Committee in procuring a donation to the Britannia Airship Fund from Hongkong.

I would point out that the object is not merely to pass round the hat for the purpose of securing an extra airship for the Empire; on the contrary, we desire to bring home in the most forcible manner, i.e. by actual demonstration that it is a mistaken policy to go to Germany, France and Italy for airship design as has been done, when the British owned and British built "Britannia" is available, and which according to all the independent expert advice to be obtained will prove superior in speed, net lifting power, range of action and mobility to any rigid airship of equal size yet built.

We believe that it possesses all those qualities, and therefore would at one leap place the Empire ahead of all others in dirigible aircraft notwithstanding its present backward position.

This can only be proved by building the ship and demonstrating its value, and the movement is one which should commend itself to all the overseas dominions.

I trust therefore that in view of the fact that only £15,000 is required to build the ship, Hongkong will respond substantially to this appeal in proportion with its importance as an outpost of Empire, and that Your Excellency will give your moral support to the movement.

Yours faithfully,
HAWTREY COX, Capt.

MESSRS MELCHERS & CO.

Mr. Widmann Arrives to Take Charge.

Mr. Ad. Widmann, partner in Messrs. Melchers and Co., arrived here accompanied by Mrs. Widmann and his children by the German mail s.s. "Princess Alice" on Tuesday, to take charge of the Hongkong firm of Messrs. Melchers and Co. Mr. Widmann first came to the East in April 1899 and has since been stationed at Shanghai except for a few months when he took charge of the Hankow branch of this firm.

New Line.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha has established a new steamship service between Foochow and Tamsui (Formosa), with departures three times a month, and between Foochow and Anping or Takao, with one departure per month. This makes the fourth regular line worked by the said Company with seven vessels, of 1,500 to 2,000 tons, between Formosa and the mainland.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The opinions expressed by the Correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

PREVENTION OF PIRACY.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir—As piratical attacks on ships to and from this Colony, especially those trading between this Port and the Chekiang River are becoming more formidable and various by their frequency, I venture to suggest some steps which if adopted by the authorities may prove efficacious for the Prevention of Piracy.

The law in this Colony relative to precautions to be observed by steam launches and River trade steamers for the Prevention of Piracy was enacted in 1900 and entitled the Steam Launch and River trade steamers (Protection against Piracy) Ordinance 1913. These are the only Ordinances relating to this subject, and they are insufficient without the aid of the Police force for they only call upon ship owners and their crew to take such precautions as are provided therein. These precautions to a certain extent act as a prevention against pirates, attacking from sampans or junks on the high seas and they are observed and performed by all the shipowners and their crew. "Of what use are our gillies now, or our armoured plated protectors for the bridge, if they are going to burn our ships from under, and plunder us while we are sinking slowly and helplessly into the treacherous mud of the West River?" asked a master of one of the boats that went out for rescue work after the Piracy on the s.s. "Tai On"—the blackest in the history of the Colony.

Naturally, as the precautions taken by shipping people make plunder difficult for the pirates by attacking on a sampin or junk, they devise other means whereby they defeat the law. This they do by embarking on the ship decided on, well equipped with arms and disguised as passengers! Now what are our protectors of the peace doing to allow such wholesale murderers to pass under their very noses without effecting a search of their person and baggage before embarking. I don't mean to attack the Police in any way whatever but the question arises, is the Police force in this Colony sufficient to cope with the criminals who make it their profession to "pillage" and if resistance is offered "murder" wholesale murder committed in the most cruel and heart-rending manner in order to smooth the road to achieve their aim. If the answer is in the affirmative why do they not take sufficient precautions instead of hurrying along in numbers to the scene of the crime after the disaster with the pirates masters of the situation. It is now for the authorities to take sufficient steps at the outset for the prevention of piracy. This can be done in the following manner with the aid of the ships people who I am sure will do all they can to help the Police.

1 No passenger to be allowed on board any ship until a certain time before its departure.
2 European Police constables or detectives with native assistants to be present at the gangways of ships—punctually at the time specified for the embarkation of passengers.
3 One European Police constable or detective with his assistants to be at the entrance of each gangway, and to effect a thorough search on each person as they pass; one only to pass at a time.
4 The European Police constable or detective and his assistants to remain at their positions (as mentioned in the preceding clause) until the gangways are being hauled up.
5 The guards of the ship to keep strict watch to prevent persons climbing and luggage etc. being hauled up to the ship.
6 The authorities to despatch two torpedo boats every evening after dark to steam up and down the course which is usually traversed by River

SPECIAL CABLES.

(Special Pacific Service to the Telegraph-Router.)

CHINA'S CONSTITUTION.

THE NEW ARTICLES.

Peking, Received April 30. The Provisional Constitution Amendment Conference yesterday passed the third reading of the amended Provisional Constitution which has been forwarded to President Yuan for promulgation. It consists of ten chapters and sixty-eight articles.

OIL CONCESSION.

POOR FIND IN JEHOL DISTRICT.

Shanghai, Received April 30. The exploration for oil in the Jehol district has proved unsatisfactory, only lowest grade shale having been found, which is not worth working. Expert drillers have arrived at Taka Bar with machinery, and will shortly proceed to Shenai unless prevented by the local unrest.

JAPAN AND MEXICO.

Tokyo, Received April 30. The Foreign Office confirms the statement from Washington that Japan declines to represent Mexico in the United States, after the withdrawal of the "diplomatic" representative for Mexico.

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

Our readers are reminded that the election for the vacancy on the Sanitary Board takes place to-day. Polling may be done between 4 and 6 p.m. The gentlemen nominated are—Mr. W. L. Carter proposed by the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, C.M.G. and seconded by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. Mr. P. W. Goldring proposed by Mr. E. J. Grist and seconded by Mr. Playfair.

Steamers. Hoping that these suggestions will be seriously considered by the authorities and that they will be adopted as it is time that stringent methods for the prevention of Piracy were taken. Yours etc.

ANTI-PIRATICA.

Hongkong, May 1, 1914.

THE "TAI ON" PIRACY.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir—Brave deeds were enacted by loyal men on the s.s. "Tai On" and brave words were expressed by H.E. The Governor, with a promise of something else coming to these brave men later on, but what is the apathetic public doing or going to do? Let the community in general, foreigners and Chinese, show their appreciation of the magnificent defence put up by the officers and crew of the "Tai On" in a substantial manner, not forgetting the bereaved ones of the late chief officer. I would suggest that a subscription list be opened immediately and am willing to act temporarily as the Treasurer of such fund until an officer has been duly appointed by the public. When this list is closed, say by the end of the current month, then a public presentation by H.E. The Governor of the fund so collected should be made to the officers and crew of the ill-fated "Tai On." The subscription is started by a donation of \$100 by the Vacuum Oil Company and one of \$50 by

Yours etc.
W. A. DOWLEY.
King's Building,
Cannington Road,
Hongkong, May 1, 1914.

Newchwang Harbour. It is stated that the proposed extension of the harbour limits of Newchwang up to the S.M. Railway Wharf, as recommended by the Commissioner of Customs with the concurrence of the Consular Body, was approved by the Diplomatic Corps, Peking, and also by Mr. Aglen, (Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs).

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That Article 84 of the Articles of Association be altered by substituting the words "Twenty Five" for the word "Fifteen."

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The Public is hereby notified that commencing on Wednesday the 6th May 1914, and until further notice the following alterations will take place in the present through train service between Kowloon and Canton and vice versa.

The express train timed to leave Kowloon at 7.15 a.m. will leave at 7.42 a.m. and arrive Canton at 11.30 a.m.

The slow through train timed to leave Kowloon at 11.25 a.m. will leave at 9.40 a.m. and arrive Canton at 5.00 p.m.

The 11.25 a.m. train from Kowloon will run to Shum Chun only.

The morning slow through train from Canton will leave at 8.30 a.m. instead of 9.10 a.m.

The afternoon express will leave Canton at 3.05 p.m. instead of 3.15 p.m.

The last train from Canton will now leave at 6.15 p.m. instead of 7.15 p.m. and arrive Kowloon at 10.25 p.m.

The local trains on the British Section will remain as at present advertised.

For further particulars see timetables which may be had on application at all stations and at the head offices Kowloon and Canton.

By Order,

R. BAKER, Acting Manager, British Section, Canton Kowloon Railway.

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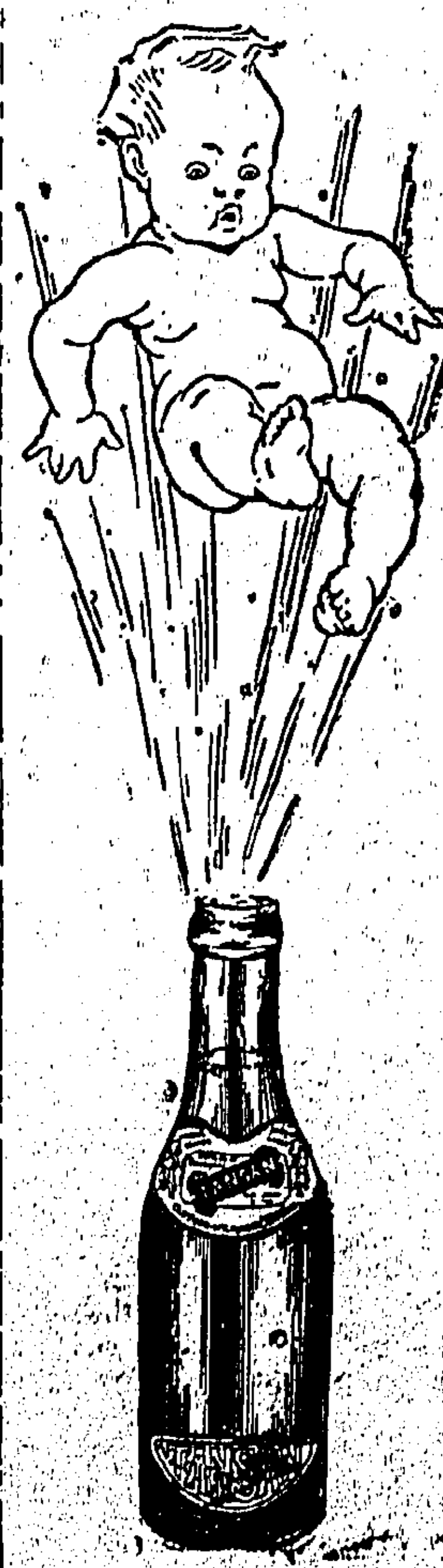
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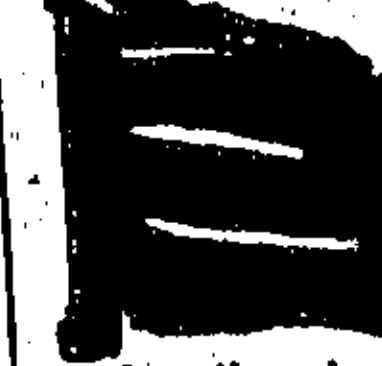
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SHANGHAI	Langchow	5th May at 4 p.m.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	Sungkiang	5th May at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Luchow	7th May at 4 p.m.
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Tjilong	SHAI	1st half May	JAVA	1st half May
Tjipanas	JAVA	1st half May	SHAI	2nd half May
Tjimahi	JAVA	2nd half May	JAPAN	2nd half May
Tjibodas	JAVA	2nd half May	JAVA	1st half June
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Steamships.	Captain	Leaving.
Haikyong	A. E. Hodgins	FRIDAY, 1st May at 11 a.m.
Haiching	W. O. Passmore	TUESDAY, 5th May at 11 a.m.
Haitan	A. H. Stewart	FRIDAY, 8th May at 11 a.m.

FOR SWATOW.

Haimun	J. W. Evans	SUNDAY, 3rd May at 10 a.m.
Haimun	J. W. Evans	WED., 6th May at 11 a.m.

Steamers will arrive at and depart from the Co.'s Wharf near Blake Pier.

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LOG BOOK.

French Steamer Sunk.

A telegram from Brisbane states that on entering the port at about midnight the French steamer Saint Paul struck Smith's Rock and sank. Eighteen were drowned. The Saint Paul is a cargo vessel of only 1,810 tons built in 1912, and valued at \$20,000. She is owned by the Compagnie Navale de l'Océanie, and was inward bound from Noumea at the time. Her comparative newness, her French construction, and her small size together account for the high value.

Other Casualties.

While bound from Greenock for Aberdeen in tow of the tug Vanquisher, the dredger Subworker sank off Fraserburgh the other night, though the crew were saved. The craft was insured for the voyage on a value of £17,500. It was in the neighbourhood of Fraserburgh that the steamer Kathleen was believed to have been lost at the end of January while bound from Burghhead for Middlesbrough.

It is reported from Baltimore that the American schooner Hat is P. Simpson has been abandoned. She is described as a wooden four-masted schooner of 1,295 tons, built by A. R. Reed and Co. in 1895. The casualty recalls the losses of the five masted schooners Grace A. Martin, Fuller Palmer, and Prescott Palmer at the end of January, while bound from Norfolk, Virginia, for Maine.

Through touching lightly on a coral reef off Madagascar the Hungarian steamer Karpas, of 5,056 tons, has arrived at Rangoon leaking. The cost of repairs is estimated at from £1,500 to £2,000. It is thought that temporary repairs can be effected at Rangoon in order to enable her to proceed to Fiume with her cargo.

The Navy's Baby.

With the commissioning of the battleship Iron Duke at Portsmouth another new type of fighting ship entered the Navy.

It is the most formidable type yet evolved—the most powerful warship in commission. It will be a costly thing for the taxpayer if ever the Iron Duke goes into action for her guns can use up powder and shot at the rate of about £10,000 worth per minute.

The battleship has unique features. She is the first to be equipped with specially designed guns for fighting enemies in the air, and the first also to carry a strong battery of 6-inch quick-firers for beating off the attack of torpedo craft.

These 6 inch weapons throw a 100lb. projectile and make very accurate shooting. A score of 100 per cent. hits is frequently made with them. They are the largest man-handled guns in the British Navy, and until quite recently were deemed good enough for the principal armament of cruisers.

Ships anterior to the Iron Duke carry nothing larger than a 4 inch anti-torpedo gun. Her main armament is ten 13.5-inch weapons of the newest pattern. For fire control the Iron Duke is fitted with the latest scientific instruments, which enable the big guns to be aimed with marvellous accuracy. The whole of them can be concentrated upon a target and strike a blow which the stoutest ship could not withstand.

Her torpedoes, too, are of the newest "heater" kind. That is, they run by hot air and are 21 inches in diameter, whereas the old type of torpedo was 13 inches. These 21 inch weapons have a speed of over 40 knots per hour, are very accurate, and possess a long effective range.

Another novelty in the Iron Duke is the absence of torpedo net defence, which is deemed a useless incumbrance now that torpedoes have been so vastly improved.

The ship displaces 25,000 tons, and has no portholes out through her armour, thus strengthening greatly the steel walls which defend her vitals.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1914.

TELEGRAMS.

(The following telegram arrived too late for insertion on Page 1.)

ULSTER SENSATION.

A RESCINDED RESOLVE.

London, Received May 1. The Morning Post and the Daily Chronicle state that the Cabinet on Monday resolved to prosecute in the Dublin Court 20 leaders for gun-running, including Captain Craig, Unionist M.P. for East Down, and Major Mc Calmont, Unionist M.P. for East Antrim. They state that Cabinet yesterday rescinded Monday's decision.

BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

Return Visit Opens With A Brilliant Success.

For the opening night of their return visit the Bandmann Opera Company staged the mirth-provoking musical comedy "Oh, Oh, Delphine!" at the Theatre Royal last night. There was a good house, and the performance went with even more vim and sparkle than before. The Company has been augmented since the last visit, and the result is that there is a distinct improvement in the chorus work while a decided acquisition has been secured in Miss Doris Mayor Cooke, who made her first bow to a Hongkong audience last night. She appeared in a very pretty belled in the third act of the play, and proved that she is a most talented and finished soprano vocalist. She immediately found favour with the audience, and was recalled again and again. Her future appearances will be awaited with interest.

As to the play itself, its story is well-known, concerning as it does the predicaments of two divorced husbands, who "changed wives." The funny situations which develop as a consequence were admirably handled, and the principal characters did especially well. Miss Belle Rivers as Delphine and Miss B. Kendall as Simone, the other wife, came through with flying colours, while Mr. Alec Worcester and Mr. Bobby Robertson as the respective husbands could not possibly have done better. Other members of the cast who came into prominence for good work were Miss Ethel Beech, Mr. Fred Coyne, Mr. Jimmie Hooper and Mr. Walter Elagert. The play abounded with haunting music, and here mention must be made of the solos and duets of Miss Beech, Miss Kendall, Miss Rivers, Mr. Worcester and Mr. Hooper.

To-night the Company is playing "The Laughing Husband."

Latest Advertisements.

Notifications regarding radium therapy and radium emanation are advertised.—Page 5.

The interest of Mr. A. Bryer in the firm of Leigh and Orange has ceased.—Page 5.

The interest of Mr. F. H. Armstrong in the firm of Reiss and Co. has ceased and Mr. P. H. Holyoak has been admitted a partner.—Page 5.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co. is to be held on the 18th inst.—Page 5.

An advertiser wants native spears, shields, etc.—Page 5.

Important alterations in the through train service are notified.—Page 5.

An extraordinary meeting of shareholders in the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. is to be held on the 18th inst.—Page 5.

The British iron screw steamer Golden Crown to be sold at Singapore on May 19.—Page 5.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Nisbet Retains Title and Wins Cup Outright.

Those who pinned their faith on S. E. Green to wrest the Lawn Tennis Championship Singles from H. A. Nisbet, the holder, were bitterly disappointed last evening. The verdict went to the latter player by a most decided margin—three sets to one and 22 games to 10. The scores were:—6-3, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0. The victory was well deserved on the evening's form, for save in the second set, which Green took at 6-4, the holder was all over his man. The triumph was that of experience and tactics over a strong and active player, who mostly relied on hard hitting to prevent the man with a better knowledge of the finer points of the game from settling down to his style. But the attempt was not a success, and Nisbet cleverly adapted his play to the circumstances, winning the match in a brilliant fashion. He excelled particularly in his smashing services, fine placing and effective short volleying at the net. Green, as usual, relied mostly on his backhand drives, but he did not appear to be in his customary form, again and again finding the net and sending out of bounds.

The event drew an enormous crowd to the Cricket Club ground, and though play was seldom of a sustained character, there were times when some pretty rallies were seen. The umpire's chair was occupied by Capt. Monteith, the side-lines were watched by Major Robertson, Lieut. Beattie, Mr. H. R. Phillips and Mr. A. O. Brown, while Lieut. Bignall and Mr. A. Mackenzie kept an eye on the base-lines.

First Set.
Play opened by Green serving a double fault, and the next point he also lost. Twice in succession, however, he drew Nisbet up to the net and cleverly passed him, eventually winning the game. Serving strongly, Nisbet retaliated with a love game, and then each man took one making the score "4 all." The fourth game was noteworthy for one of the finest rallies seen on the courts for many a long day. The point eventually going to Nisbet with a cleverly placed ball. Green lost his service in the next, and then his opponent claimed another love game, the winning point being a splendidly judged "amash." Nisbet failed in his service on the seventh game, but he made amends by taking the next two, and set, by fast serving and pretty low backhand strokes. First set:—Nisbet, 6-3.

Second Set.
In the first game of this set both men were seen in steady backhand work, trying to outwit one another for position. Although he led by 40-15, Nisbet lost the game, and by frequently hitting into the net he also went down in the next. He gave Green something to think about in the third, however, which he easily won. Then the challenger came along strongly, driving and finding the side-lines very nicely, and claimed two games in succession, thus leading 4-1. In the next two, Nisbet changed his tactics by "lobbing" back and tempting his opponent into making mistakes. This paid, and soon the score was called 4-3 in Green's favour. After a hard tussle Green claimed the eighth game, but clever play at the net gave his opponent the next. Twice in the succeeding game Green was lucky with balls which tipped the top of the net, and he won the game and set.

Third Set.
New balls were called for in this set, which opened with Nisbet winning after trying a couple of "soft" services. His opponent was seen in good net play in the second game, which he won, but this was all he got.

The holder thereafter took matters into his own hands. His placing was faultless, and when the score was 5-1 in his favour, Green did not attempt to return the services in the next. Nisbet winning a love game. Third set:—Nisbet, 6-1.

Fourth Set.
The last set saw Nisbet continuing his magnificent form, while Green was falling away badly. Twice the latter man served a "double" in the opening game; then Nisbet took a love game; and in the third Green constantly sent back into the net. Another love game to Nisbet on his opponent's service followed, and although "love 40" was called in the next Nisbet cleverly won it by smart work at the net. In the fifth Green was "40 love," but again he fell to pieces and lost the game, while the next also went to the holder rather easily, and with it the match. Fourth set:—Nisbet, 6-0.

By winning the encounter for the third time in succession, Nisbet claims the Championship Cup as his property.

The Rival Players.
H. A. Nisbet, the winner of the Championship, has been playing tennis practically all his life. Formerly he used to play for Blackheath and Surrey County, and in those days he was considered a better doubles player than he was at singles. In his day he has taken part in first-class tennis at Home—from 1893 to 1900—and for four seasons out of five he, with his partners, got into the Championship round of the All England Doubles at Wimbledon, but never succeeded in ousting the holders. He has also played for an English team which visited America to engage in Championship matches. Going abroad, he had to drop serious tennis after 1900.

S. E. Green, the runner-up, has been playing tennis for about 15 years, taking up the game in Shanghai. He early gave promise of being a good player, and won many events at the Shanghai Club. About eleven years ago he left Shanghai, and for three years was unable to indulge in the game seriously, owing to being in outposts. He again took up the game three years later on coming to Hongkong, and by watching the play of such men as Harry Hancock and Pinkney on the Hongkong ground he developed his backhand stroke, which, he says, he learnt from Pinkney's style. He has for several years entered the H. K. C. C. tournaments, but never met with much success until this year, though once he got into the semi-final of the Championship, but lost to Harry Hancock. For five years in succession he has won the Kowloon C. C. Championship as well as the Singles Handicap, despite the fact that in the latter his handicap was over 40.

Tennis League Match.
The following have been selected to play for the C.C.C. against the C.S.C.C. on Saturday on the C.S.C.C. ground in a League Tennis Match. G. A. Hancock, R. Bass, F. Remedios, E. L. Braga, J. V. Braga and H. H. Taylor.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.R. steamer EMPRESS OF RUSSIA left Kobe on the 29th Apr. at midnight and is due to arrive at Shanghai on the 2nd May, at 4 p.m.

The N. Y. K. steamer MISHIMA MARU (European Line) left Kobe for this port on the 27th Apr. and is expected here on the 4th May.

The N. Y. K. steamer NIKKO MARU (Australia Line) left Kobe for this port on the 28th Apr. and is expected here on the 4th May.

The G. N. steamer MINNESOTA left Manila for this port on the 29th Apr. and is expected here on the 1st May.

CANTON OFFICIALS VISIT

Entertained by Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Following the official tiffin party given at Government House yesterday in honour of General Lung Kan-kwang, Military Pacification Commissioner at Canton, and Colonel Tang Lu-kwang, Captain Superintendent of Police, the distinguished visitors were entertained at a reception given by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce. There was a large gathering of members of the Chamber, and the guests were accompanied by their respective secretaries, Mr. Lai Wing Chun and Mr. Tam Kam Chai. On the arrival of the party the visitors were met by the reception committee of the Chamber, which consisted of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak, Chairman of the Chamber; Mr. Un Ka-wa, Vice-Chairman; and Messrs. Fung Ping-shan, Chu Tz-hing, Chan Kai-ming, Wong Yiu-tong, Ho Kom-tong, Tong Yat-chuen, Cheung Tz-chuen, Chan Yut-ngam, Chan Kwai-nan, and Ip Lan-chuen, Secretary. It may be mentioned that Mr. Un Ka-wa, together with the Secretary, representing the Chamber, went in a launch of the Chamber on board the cruiser immediately after her arrival to see the General.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak briefly welcomed the guests, who were then escorted to a raised dais, those seated at the table being the official visitors and their secretaries, together with Mr. Lau Chu-pak.

An address from the Chamber was read by Mr. Hung Chi-niang, which mentioned that the occasion was the first official visit since the Republic had been recognised by Great Britain.

General Lung replied briefly, thanking those present for the reception. He then called upon his secretary to read the reply of the Governor-General. This stated that there was still, unfortunately, some unrest and robbery in the interior, but the Governor-General was sparing no effort to stamp this out. The greatest difficulty the administration had to contend with was the unsettled coinage of Kwangtung, and he was sure that business in between Canton and Hongkong was also affected by the depreciated value of Canton notes. He was, however, pleased to say that the Central Government had given him the assurance that the utmost was being done to remedy the existing state of affairs, and they expected to remit funds during May month.

Colonel Tang read the reply sent down by the Civil Governor which stated that the civil authorities were working continuously to restore order and peace, and businesslike administration in Canton. The one thing lacking heretofore had been money, and without money, it was impossible to make progress. Now, fortunately, the end of this trouble was in sight and, with funds at their disposal the civil authorities in Kwangtung would institute many greatly needed reforms.

Cheers were then given for the visitors and after refreshments had been served the party left in Mr. Lau Chu-pak's motor car for the latter's residence, where they stayed for the night.

This morning the visiting officials made many calls, visiting, amongst others, Mr. Ho Fook and Mr. Ho Kim-tong at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s, with whom, and Mr. Lau Chu-pak and others, they later had tiffin at the Hongkong Hotel. This evening a dinner is to be given General Lung and Col. Tang at the To Yuen Restaurant, and the visitors will leave by the cruiser for Canton at midnight.

BOXING.

Bux and Perkins Preparing for their event.

If the training of Stoker Perkins and Iron Bux is any criterion of what the forthcoming contest fixed for Saturday week will be, then it is going to be one of hard and fast going. That is, of course, if there are not some fireworks in an early round to put an end to matters. There is a man in the Colony, who has any interest in boxing, but is not anxious to see Perkins and Bux meet, as by their meeting many arguments will be set at rest. Both men have their supporters, and the fact that Perkins enjoys a greater number than Bux does not affect the chances of Bux. Bux, however, will have to improve on his show with either James or Humphries, and particularly on his showing with the latter. Humphries was the possessor of a punch, but he had no speed to enable him to do anything with it. In the case of Perkins he has both as local fans so well know. To be fair to Bux we must credit him with the intelligence to appreciate the tough opponent he is up against. Bux will not give many opportunities to the wily sailor, and whatever Perkins wants he will have thoroughly to canvass for before he finds the opportunity offered. Perkins went fifteen rounds last night with four opponents on the football ground in the Naval Yard, and Bux was doing good work at Happy Valley.

One feature of the contest will be that the men will weigh in at the ringside in full view of the spectators. This is a very commendable provision on the part of Mr. F. E. Hall.

There has always been a certain amount of dispute amongst the spectators regarding the weight of the contestants, and it is hoped that the introduction of this provision should prevent such challenges in the future. It is most satisfactory all round and it will be thoroughly appreciated.

Of the other contestants we will say more later. We might remind readers that Perkins can be seen of an evening at work on the football ground of the Naval Yard.

APRIL'S RAINFALL.

The rainfall recorded during April, at the Botanic Gardens was as follows:—

Date	Inch
1st April, 1914	—
2nd	—
3rd	—
4th	—
5th	—
6th	—
7th	—
8th	—
9th	—
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20th	—
21st	—
22nd	—
23rd	—
24th	—
25th	—
26th	—
27th	—
28th	—
29th	—
30th	—
Total	5.92

COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong Electric Company Limited.

The Report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Electric Company, Limited, to the Twenty Fifth Ordinary yearly Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, May 14, is as follows:—

Gentlemen:—Your Directors have the pleasure to submit the accompanying Statement of the Company's Accounts for the year ending 28th February, 1914. The Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account is \$368,044.97; and after deducting Directors' Fees (\$3,000) there remains a sum of \$365,044.97 available for appropriation, and your Directors recommend that this be disposed of as follows:—

To pay a Dividend of 18 per cent:—
Say \$1.80 per share on 60,000 Shares \$108,000.00
To place to Reserve 70,000.00
" write off Plant Account for depreciation 121,582.90
To write off Property Account for depreciation 25,000.00
To write off Furniture Account for depreciation 530.53
To pay a Bonus to Staff 6,283.38
To carry forward to next Account 31,868.16

Total ... \$365,044.97
Directors.—The Hon. Mr. O. H. Ross having resigned on leaving the Colony, the Hon. Mr. David Landale was invited to fill the vacancy.

In accordance with the Articles of Association the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G. and the Hon. Mr. David Landale, both being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. A. C. Hynes, and F. Maitland, who retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

J. W. C. BONNAR,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1914.

Statement of Accounts.

LIABILITIES.

Capital:—
60,000 Shares each \$10 paid up ... \$600,000.00
Reserve Account ... 60,000.00
Sundry Creditors ... 18,654.84
Dividends unclaimed ... 11,376.43
Balance of Profit and Loss Account 368,044.97
\$1,056,076.24

ASSETS.

Plant and Mains account, cost of, per last account \$610,675.01
Less amount provided for depreciation ... 108,657.01
\$502,018.00
Cost of Plant, since added ... 139,065.88
\$641,083.88
Property, cost of Land and Buildings as per last account ... \$121,218.71
Less amount provided for depreciation ... 16,287.71
\$105,000.00
Installation Material Stock of Stores and Coal Stock of Tools & Stock of Furniture, cost of, as per last account ... \$633.50
Less amount pro-

vided for depreciation ... 138.50

Cost of Furniture, since added ... 530.53

Insurance, Value of unexpired portions of Policies ... 1,700.00

Sundry Debtors ... 160,587.41

Cash with Agents Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ... 8,777.71

Total ... \$1,056,076.24

Working Account.

To Agency and Office Expenses ... \$ 8,000.00
To Rent and Taxes ... 10,514.01
To Insurance ... 3,231.83
To Auditors' Fees ... 200.00
To Bad Debts ... 3,921.47
To Amount carried to Profit and Loss Account ... 350,099.16

Total ... \$375,955.57

By Net Profit on working ... \$375,955.57

By Scrip and Transfer Fees ... 21.25

By Interest ... 67.51

Total ... \$375,955.57

Profit and Loss Account.

To Amount available for appropriation ... \$368,044.97

Total ... \$368,044.97

By Amount of undivided profit, as per last account ... \$10,045.84

By Balance of Working Account brought down ... 350,099.16

Total ... \$368,044.97

C. P. CHATER & H. DODWELL, Directors.

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F. MAITLAND & A. C. HYNES, Auditors.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1914.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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Sir:—About 140 signatures in favour of trees, and 2 against, have been recorded on the forms lying at Messrs. Lane Crawford's and at the Hongkong Club. Will any have not recorded their views, and wish to do so, kindly send the papers before Saturday 5th May as I propose to withdraw them then and forward them to Government?

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L. GIBBS.
Hongkong, May 1, 1914.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1914.

TELEGRAMS.

(The following telegram arrived too late for insertion on Page 1.)

ULSTER SENSATION.

A RESCINDED RESOLVE.

London, Received May 1. The Morning Post and the Daily Chronicle state that the Cabinet on Monday resolved to prosecute in the Dublin Court 20 leaders for gun-running, including Captain Craig, Unionist M.P. for East Down, and Major Mc. Calmont, Unionist M.P. for East Antrim. They state that Cabinet yesterday rescinded Monday's decision.

BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

Return Visit Opens With A Brilliant Success.

For the opening night of their return visit the Bandmann Opera Company staged the mirth-provoking musical comedy "Oh, Oh, Delphine!" at the Theatre Royal last night. There was a good house, and the performance went with even more vim and sparkle than before. The Company has been augmented since the last visit, and the result is that there is a distinct improvement in the chorus work while a decided acquisition has been secured in Miss Doris May Cooke, who made her first bow to a Hongkong audience last night. She appeared in a very pretty ballad in the third act of the play, and proved that she is a most talented and finished soprano vocalist. She immediately found favour with the audience, and was recalled again and again. Her future appearances will be awaited with interest.

As to the play itself, its story is well-known, concerning as it does the predicaments of two divorced husbands, who "changed wives." The funny situations which develop as a consequence were admirably handled, and the principal characters did especially well. Miss Belle Rivers as Delphine and Miss B. B. Kendal as Simone, the other wife, came through with flying colours, while Mr. Alec Worcester and Mr. Bobby Roberts as the respective husbands could not possibly have done better. Other members of the cast who came into prominence for good work were Miss Ethel Beech, Mr. Fred Coyne, Mr. Jimmie Hooper and Mr. Walter Elagert. The play abounds with haunting music, and here mention must be made of the solos and duets of Miss Beech, Miss Kendal, Miss Rivers, Mr. Worcester and Mr. Hooper.

To-night the Company is playing "The Laughing Husband."

Latest Advertisements.

Notifications regarding radium therapy and radium emanation are advertised.—Page 5.

The interest of Mr. A. Bryer in the firm of Leigh and Orange has ceased.—Page 5.

The interest of Mr. F. H. Armstrong in the firm of Reiss and Co. has ceased and Mr. P. H. Holyoak has been admitted a partner.—Page 5.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co. is to be held on the 16th inst.—Page 5.

An advertiser wants native spears, shields, etc.—Page 5.

Important alterations in the through train service are notified.—Page 5.

An extraordinary meeting of shareholders in the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. is to be held on the 18th inst.—Page 5.

The British Iron screw steamer Golden Crown to be sold at Singapore on May 19.—Page 5.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Nisbet Retains Title and Wins Cup Outright.

Those who pinned their faith on S. E. Green to wrest the Lawn Tennis Championship Singles from H. A. Nisbet, the holder, were bitterly disappointed last evening. The verdict went to the latter player by a most decided margin—three sets to one and 22 games to 10. The scores were:—6-3, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0. The victory was well deserved on the evening's form, for save in the second set, which Green took at 6-4, the holder was all over his man. The triumph was that of experience and tactics over a strong and active player, who mostly relied on hard hitting to prevent the man with a better knowledge of the finer points of the game from settling down to his style. But the attempt was not a success, and Nisbet cleverly adapted his play to the circumstances, winning the match in a brilliant fashion. He excelled particularly in his smashing services, fine placing and effective short volleys at the net. Green, as usual, relied mostly on his backhand drives, but he did not appear to be in his customary form, again and again finding the net and sending out of bounds.

The event drew an enormous crowd to the Cricket Club ground, and though play was seldom of a sustained character, there were times when some pretty rallies were seen. The umpire's chair was occupied by Capt. Monteith, the side-lines were watched by Major Robertson, Lieut. Beattie, Mr. H. B. Phillips and Mr. A. O. Brown, while Lieut. Bignall and Mr. A. Mackenzie kept an eye on the base-lines.

First Set.

Play opened by Green serving a double fault, and the next point he also lost. Twice in succession, however, he drew Nisbet up to the net and cleverly passed him, eventually winning the game. Serving strongly, Nisbet retaliated with a love game, and then each man took one making the score "4 all." The fourth game was noteworthy for one of the finest rallies seen on the courts for many a long day. The point eventually going to Nisbet with a cleverly placed ball. Green lost his service in the next, and then his opponent claimed another love game, the winning point being a splendidly judged "smash." Nisbet failed in his service on the seventh game, but he made amends by taking the next two, and set, by fast serving and pretty low backhand strokes. First set:—Nisbet, 6-3.

Second Set.

In the first game of this set both men were seen in steady backhand work, trying to outwit one another for position. Although he led by 4-15, Nisbet lost the game, and by frequently hitting into the net he also went down in the next. He gave Green something to think about in the third, however, which he easily won. Then the challenger came along strongly, driving and finding the side-lines very nicely, and claimed two games in succession; thus leading 4-1. In the next two, Nisbet changed his tactics by "lobbing" back and tempting his opponent into making mistakes. This paid, and soon the score was called 4-3 in Green's favour. After a hard tussle Green claimed the eighth game, but a clever play at the net gave his opponent the next. Twice in the succeeding game Green was lucky with balls which tipped the top of the net, and he won the game and set. Second set:—Green, 6-4.

Third Set.

New bills were called for in this set, which opened with Nisbet winning after trying a couple of "soft" services. His opponent was seen in good net play in the second game, which he won, but this was all he got.

The holder thereafter took matters into his own hands. His placing was faultless, and when the score was 5-1 in his favour, Green did not attempt to return the services in the next. Nisbet winning a love game. Third set:—Nisbet, 6-1.

Fourth Set.

The last set saw Nisbet continuing his magnificent form, while Green was falling away badly. Twice the latter man served a "double" in the opening game; then Nisbet took a love game; and in the third Green constantly sent back into the net. Another love game to Nisbet on his opponent's service followed, and although "love 40" was called in the next Nisbet cleverly won it by smart work at the net. In the fifth Green was "40 love" but again he fell to pieces and lost the game, while the next also went to the holder rather easily, and with it the match. Fourth set:—Nisbet, 6-0.

By winning the encounter for the third time in succession, Nisbet claims the Championship Cup as his property.

The Rival Players.

H. A. Nisbet, the winner of the Championship, has been playing tennis practically all his life. Formerly he used to play for Blackheath and Surrey County, and in those days he was considered a better doubles player than he was at singles. In his day he has taken part in first-class tennis at Home—from 1898 to 1900—and for four seasons out of five he, with his partners, got into the Championship round of the All England Doubles at Wimbledon but never succeeded in ousting the holders. He has also played for an English team which visited America to engage in Championship matches. Going abroad, he had to drop serious tennis after 1900.

S. E. Green, the runner-up, has been playing tennis for about 15 years, taking up the game in Shanghai. He early gave promise of being a good player, and won many events at the Shanghai Club and at the Chinese Clubs. About eleven years ago he left Shanghai, and for three years was unable to indulge in the game seriously, owing to being in outports. He again took up the game three years later on coming to Hongkong, and by watching the play of such men as Harry Hancock and Pinkney on the Hongkong ground he developed his backhand stroke, which, he says, he learnt from Pinkney's style. He has for several years entered the H. K. C. C. tournaments, but never met with much success until this year, though once he got into the semi-final of the Championship, but lost to Harry Hancock. For five years in succession he has won the Kowloon C. C. Championship as well as the Singles Handicap, despite the fact that in the latter his handicap was over 40.

Tennis League Match.

The following have been selected to play for the C.C.C. against the C.S.C.C. on Saturday on the C.S.C.C. ground in a League Tennis Match. G. A. Hancock, R. Bass, F. Remedios, E. L. Braga, J. V. Braga and H. E. Taylor.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.R. steamer EMPRESS OF RUSSIA left Kobe on the 29th Apr. at midnight and is due to arrive at Shanghai on the 2nd May, at 4 p.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. MISHIMA MARU (European Line) left Molt for this port on the 27th Apr. and is expected here on the 4th May.

The N. Y. K. s.s. NIKKO MARU (Australia Line) left Kobe for this port on the 28th Apr. and is expected here on the 4th May.

The G. N. s.s. MINNESOTA left Manila for this port on the 29th Apr. and is expected here on the 1st May.

CANTON OFFICIALS VISIT

Entertained by Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Following the official tiffin party given at Government House yesterday in honour of General Lung Kan-kwang, Military Pacification Commissioner at Canton, and Colonel Tang Lu-kwang, Captain Superintendent of Police, the distinguished visitors were entertained at a reception given by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce. There was a large gathering of members of the Chamber, and the guests were accompanied by their respective secretaries, Mr. Lai Wing Chun and Mr. Tam Kam Chai. On the arrival of the party the visitors were met by the reception committee of the Chamber, which consisted of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak, Chairman of the Chamber; Mr. Ho Ka-nwa, Vice-Chairman; and Messrs. Fung Ping-shan, Chu Tsz-hing, Chan Kai-ming, Wong Yiu-tong, Ho Fook, Lau Sau-hin, Ho Kom-tong, Tong Yat-chuan, Cheung Tsz-chuan, Chan Yut-ngam, Chan Kwai-naw, and Ip Lan-chuen, Secretary. It may be mentioned that Mr. Un Kam-wa, together with the Secretary, representing the Chamber, went in a launch of the Chamber on board the cruiser immediately after her arrival to see the General.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak briefly welcomed the guests, who were then escorted to a raised dais, those seated at the table being the official visitors and their secretaries, together with Mr. Lau Chu-pak.

An address from the Chamber was read by Mr. Hang On-hing, which mentioned that the occasion was the first official visit since the Republic had been recognised by Great Britain.

General Lung replied briefly, thanking those present for the reception. He then called upon his secretary to read the official reply of the Governor General. This stated that there was still, unfortunately, some unrest and robbery in the interior, but the Governor General was sparing no effort to stamp this out. The greatest difficulty the administration had to contend with was the unsettled coinage of Kwangtung, and he was sure that business in between Canton and Hongkong was also affected by the depreciated value of Canton notes. He was, however, pleased to say that the Central Government had given him the assurance that the utmost was being done to remedy the existing state of affairs, and they expected to remit funds during May month.

Colonel Tang read the reply sent down by the Civil Governor which stated that the civil authorities were working continuously to restore order and peaceful and businesslike administration in Canton. The one thing lacking heretofore had been money, and without money, it was impossible to make progress. Now, fortunately, the end of this trouble was in sight and, with funds at their disposal, the civil authorities in Kwangtung would institute many greatly needed reforms.

Cheers were then given for the visitors and after refreshments had been served the party left for Mr. Lau Chu-pak's motor car for the latter's residence, where they stayed for the night.

This morning the visiting officials made many calls, visiting, amongst others, Mr. Ho Fook and Mr. Ho Kam-tong at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s, with whom and Mr. Lau Chu-pak and others, they later had tiffin at the Hongkong Hotel. This evening a dinner is to be given General Lung and Col. Tang at the To Yuen Restaurant, and the visitors will leave by the cruiser for Canton at midnight.

BOXING.

Bux and Perkins Preparing for their event.

If the training of Stoker Perkins and Iron Bux is any criterion of what the forthcoming contest fixed for Saturday week will be, then it is going to be one of hard and fast going. That is, of course, if there are not some fireworks in an early round to put an end to matters. There is a man in the Colony who has any interest in boxing, but is not anxious to see Perkins and Bux meet, as by their meeting many arguments will be set at rest. Both men have their supporters, and the fact that Perkins enjoys a greater number than Bux does not affect the chances of Bux. Bux, however, will have to improve on his show with either James or Humphries, and particularly on his showing with the latter. Humphries was the possessor of a punch, but he had no speed to enable him to do anything with it. In the case of Perkins he has both as local fans as well know. To be fair to Bux we must credit him with the intelligence to appreciate the tough opponent he is up against. Bux will not give many opportunities to the wily sailor, and whatever Perkins wants he will have thoroughly to canvass for before he finds the opportunity offered. Perkins went fifteen rounds last night with four opponents on the football ground in the Naval Yard, and Bux was doing good work at Happy Valley.

One feature of the contest will be that the men will weigh in at the ringside in full view of the spectators. This is a very commendable provision on the part of Mr. F. E. Hall.

There has always been a certain amount of dispute amongst the spectators regarding the weight of the men, and this should prevent such challenges in the future. It is most satisfactory all round and it will be thoroughly appreciated.

Of the other contestants we will say more later. We might remind readers that Perkins can be seen on an evening at work on the football ground of the Naval Yard.

APRIL'S RAINFALL.

The rainfall recorded during April, at the Botanic Gardens was as follows:—

Date	Inch
1st April 1914	—
2nd	—
3rd	—
4th	—
5th	—
6th	—
7th	—
8th	—
9th	—
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17th	—
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20th	—
21st	—
22nd	—
23rd	—
24th	—
25th	—
26th	—
27th	—
28th	—
29th	—
30th	—
Total	5.92

COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong Electric Company Limited.

The Report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Electric Company, Limited, to the Twenty Fifth Ordinary yearly Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the Company's Offices, 81, George's Building, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, May 14, is as follows:—

Gentlemen:—Your Directors have the pleasure to submit the accompanying Statement of the Company's Accounts for the year ending 28th February, 1914. The Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account is \$366,044.97; and after deducting Directors' Fees (\$3,000) there remains a sum of \$363,044.97 available for appropriation, and your Directors recommend that this be disposed of as follows:—

To pay a Dividend of 18 per cent:—
Say \$1.80 per share on 60,000 Shares \$108,000.00
To place to Reserve 70,000.00
" write off Plant Account for depreciation 121,562.90
To write off Property Account for depreciation 25,000.00
To write off Furniture Account for depreciation 530.53
To pay a Bonus to Staff 6,283.38
To carry forward to next Account 31,668.16

Total \$363,044.97
Directors.—The Hon. Mr. O. H. Ross having resigned on leaving the Colony, the Hon. Mr. David Landale was invited to fill the vacancy.

In accordance with the Articles of Association the Hon. Sir C. F. Chater, C.M.G. and the Hon. Mr. David Landale, after themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. A. C. Hynes, and F. Maitland, who retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

J. W. C. BONNAE, Chairman.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1914.

Statement of Accounts.

LIABILITIES.

Capital:—
60,000 Shares each \$10 paid up \$600,000.00
Reserve Account 60,000.00
Sundry Creditors 18,654.84
Dividends unclaimed 11,376.43
Balance of Profit and Loss Account 366,044.97
\$1,056,076.24

ASSETS.

Plant and Mains account, cost of, per last account \$616,675.01
Less amount provided for depreciation 108,657.01
\$510,000.00

Cost of Plant, since added 139,005.88
\$480,005.88

Property, cost of Land and Buildings as per last account 121,218.71
Less amount provided for depreciation 16,238.71
\$105,000.00

Installation Material Stock of Stores and Coal 43,502.80
Stock of Tools & Sundry Furniture, cost of, as per last account 9,784.78
2,338.05
\$633.50

Less amount provided for depreciation 108,657.01
\$510,000.00

vided for depreciation 133.50
\$500.00

Cost of Furniture, since added 530.53
\$1,056.63

Insurance, Value of unexpired portions of Policies 1,700.00
Sundry Debtors 180,587.41
Cash with Agents 8,77.71
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 79,355.10
\$1,056,076.24

Working Account.

To Agency and Office Expenses \$ 8,000.00
To Rent and Taxes 10,514.01
To Insurance 3,231.33
To Auditors' Fees 200.00
To Bad Debts 3,231.17
To Amount carried to Profit and Loss Account 350,099.14
Total \$375,955.57

By Net Profit on working \$375,955.57
By Scrip and Transfer Fees 21.25
By Interest 87.51
\$375,955.57

Profit and Loss Account.

To Amount available for appropriation \$366,044.97
\$366,044.97

By Amount of undivided profit, as per last account \$10,045.84
By Balance of Working Account brought down 350,099.13
\$366,044.97

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Hongkong, May 1, 1914.

內食

FRUITS,

French.

German.

UNITED STATES VESSELS.

POULTRY.

FISH.

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi	Ab Ohi	lb	8	菜
Cheuk		lb	8	菜
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Tau		10	10	菜
(French) Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin				菜
Tau				菜
" Sprout,—Ah Cho		8	8	菜
" Long,—Tau Ko		—	—	菜
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau		6	6	菜
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuan		6	6	菜
Rai,—Hung Ker		10	10	菜
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy		10	10	菜
Cabbage Red,—Hung Yeh Choy		10	10	菜
Jabbage, Shanghai,—Yah Choy		—	—	菜
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shan		lb	12	菜
Oaniflowers, Large size,—Tai Yeh Cho Fa		each	—	菜
" Medium size,—Cheung Yeh Cho Fa				菜
" Small size,—Sai Yen Choi Fa				菜
Carrots,—Kam Sham		lb	6	菜
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Choi		10	10	菜
" English,—Young Kan Choi		5	5	菜
Onionies Dried,—Gon Ist Chiu		30	30	菜
" Red,—Hung Far Chiu		18	18	菜
" Green,—Ching Lat Chiu		13	13	菜
Curry Stuff, English,—Kar Lee Chiu Lin		10	10	菜
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa		8	8	菜
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa		10	10	菜
Garlic,—Que Tau		8	8	菜
Ginger, young,—Sun Tee Koung		6	6	菜
" old,—Lo Koung		10	10	菜
Horae Radish, Shanghai,—Lik Kan		18	18	菜
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai		each	5	菜
Lettuce,—Young Sang Choi		1	1	菜
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai		lb	6	菜
" Mandarin,—Kwai Lum Ma Tai		8	8	菜
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Sang Chio Koo		30	30	菜
Mush Malon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa		each	—	菜
Okrobe		lb	12	菜
Onions Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau		8	8	菜
" Green,—Sang Chong		8	8	菜
" Shanghai,—Shing-hoi Chong Tau		—	—	菜
Papaya, 1st qual,—Tai Man Sau Kwa		each	—	菜
" 2nd —Chung				菜
Parsley,—Kun Cho		8	8	菜
Green Peas,—Ching Tau		lb	8	菜
Potato's, Sweet,—Fan Shu		3	3	菜
" Shanghai,—Shing-hoi Shu Tau				菜
Japan,—Yut Poon Shu Tau		30	30	菜
American,—Fu Ki Shu Tau		lb	8	菜
" Foochow,—Fo-chow Shu Tau		10	10	菜
Pumpkin,—Tong Kwa		5	5	菜
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tai		5	5	菜
Rhubarb (Fresh),—Tai Wong		12	12	菜
Sage,—Tee So		—	—	菜
Shallots,—Gon Chung Tau		8	8	菜
Spinach,—Yin Choi		5	5	菜
Tomatoes,—Fan Ker		5	5	菜
Taro,—Wu Tau		5	5	菜
Turnip,—Punti, (Long),—Lo Pak		5	5	菜
" English,—Young Lo Pak		2	2	菜
Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa		5	5	菜
(American),—Kam-san Chit Kwa		6	6	菜
Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Cho		—	—	菜
" Lily root,—Lin Ngau		—	—	菜
Yams,—Ta Shu		8	8	菜

These prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Board has no power to compel all holders to sell at the prices quoted.

E. W. HAMILTON,
Secretary, San Francisco Board

Consignees

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD
BREMEN.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL
LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ WALDEMAR,"
having arrived, Consignees of
cargo are hereby informed that
their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valu-
ables, are being landed and stored
at their risk, into the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, Kowloon, and West
Point Godowns, whence delivery
may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forward-
ed on unless intimation is received
from the Consignees before noon
to-day requesting it to be landed
here.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the Godowns,
and all goods remaining unde-
livered after the 3rd of May,
will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and dam-
aged Goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 3rd of May,
at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before
the 10th of May, 1914, or they
will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be
effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & Co.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, 27th April, 1914.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

s.s. "KOREA"

From SAN FRANCISCO and
JAPAN PORTS.

The above-mentioned vessel
having arrived consignees of
cargo are hereby notified to send
in their Bill of Lading for coun-
tersignature and take immediate
delivery of cargo from alongside.
Cargo impeding discharge will be
landed immediately at consignees'
risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board, Fri-
day, May 1st, 1914 at Noon will
be landed at consignees' risk and
expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered
Monday, May 4th, 1914 at 5 p.m.
will, in addition to landing
charges be subject to storage
charges.

No Fire Insurance will be
effected.

All chafed and otherwise dam-
aged cargo will be examined at
the above Company's godown,
Monday May 4th, 1914 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained
unless accompanied by short
delivery note or list of exceptions
taken at the time of delivery to
consignees and signed for and on
behalf of the Pacific Mail s.s. Co.

All claims must be filed on or
before May 28th, 1914, otherwise
they will not be recognized.

R. C. MORTON
Agent.

Hongkong 28th April, 1914.

From PORTLAND, Or. and
PUGET SOUND Ports.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"BELGRAVIA"

Capt. Meisner, having arrived,
consignees are hereby notified to
send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature, and take im-
mediate delivery of cargo from
alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on
TUESDAY, the 28th, inst.
at Noon will be landed at Con-
signees' risk and expense and
delivery must then be taken from
the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf
& Godown Co.'s Godowns.

Cargo remaining undelivered
on 5th May 1914 at Noon, will, in
addition to landing charges, be
subject to storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever
will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise dam-
aged cargo to be left on board or
in the Godown; the examination
of same to be held on TUESDAY
the 5th May at 10 a.m.

Claims must be accompanied
by short delivery notes or list of
exceptions taken at the time of
delivery to Consignees and signed
for and on behalf of the H.A.L.

All claims must be filed on or
before the 15th May 1914 other-
wise they will not be recognized.
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
Hongkong Office,
Hongkong, 27th April, 1914.

Don't forget after the Show
Supper, and Light Refreshments
ALEXANDRA CAFE.
Open Till Midnight.

Hotel Lists.

Hongkong Hotel.

Abraham, E. S. Lamberti, E. B.
Adler, L. Leber, Mrs. N.
Allen, H. G. Leber, Miss Ruby
Anderson, Miss M. S. Lloyd, G. T.
Baker, A. J. Mackay, E. R.
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FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are
hereby informed that all
Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company
Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or
from the wharves delivery may
be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the Godowns
and all Goods remaining unde-
livered after the 5th prox. will be
subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before the 25th prox.,
or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and dam-
aged Goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be ex-
amined on the 5th prox., at 11
a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been
effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
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are being landed and placed at
their risk in the hazardous and/or
extra-hazardous Godowns of the
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Godown Company, Limited,
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signed by the Undersigned.

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on unless notice to the contrary
be given to-day.

All claims must be presented
within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they
cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the Godowns,
and all Goods remaining unde-
livered after the 6th May, will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and dam-
aged goods must be left in the
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amined on the 6th May, at
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Hongkong, 30th April, 1914.

BARBER LINE OF
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Commercial.

Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.
The Manager's report for the four weeks ending 28th March is:

The accompanying sheet of Mine Measurements and Assay Results shows a total of 417 ft. made up by sinking and rinking 57 ft. driving 110 ft. and crosscutting 244 ft. and compares with a total of 330 ft. for the previous month.

Mines.—Bt. Koman. Several prospecting drives have been put off from the 840 ft. level crosscuts. Most of the lode exposed has been poor, the most promising branch is at about 260 ft. from the shaft. Here we have driven 9 ft. north the lode being 40 ins. wide and assaying 50 dwts. and 13 ft. south where the lode is 38 ins. wide with 25 dwts.

740 ft. level. Main drive north has been extended 4 ft. making a total of 172 ft. on a lode 32 ins. wide with 4.6 dwts. The south is 228 ft. from the crosscut, 14 ft. having been driven during the month on a lode 52 ins. wide with 3.3 dwts.

No. 1. winze south, being sunk on a narrow lode is 32 ft. deep, of which 17 ft. was accomplished during the month. The lode is poor.

840 ft. level. The main drive south has been advanced 10 ft. making altogether 347 ft. the lode in 55 ins. wide and assaying 7.4 dwts.

540 ft. level. The winze being sunk on the 121 ft. lode has been deepened 12 ft. making altogether 27 ft.—the lode is small and poor.

Crosscuts for slope filling amount to 146 ft.

Stopes. Above the 740 ft. level there are two stopes. The lode averages 146 ins. wide and is worth 3.5 dwts.

Above the 640 ft. level there are three stopes. The lode averages 118 ins. wide and is worth 4.5 dwts.

Above the 540 ft. level there is one stop. The lode is 90 ins. wide, assaying 5.4 dwts.

Above the 440 ft. level two stopes are worked on a lode 88 ins. wide, assaying 3.85 dwts.

Anderson. 360 ft. level. The main drive north has been extended 14 ft. and the south end 13 ft. making totals of 319 ft. and 245 ft. respectively. The lode in both drives is poor. The north end is temporarily suspended whilst we are trying to effect a holding with the winze below the 260 ft. level north.

160 ft. level. The drive north on the Eastern lode has been advanced 6 ft. making a total of 143 ft. The lode is 60 ins. wide and assays 4.4 dwts.

The shaft sinking in outcrop of the Eastern lode is 81 ft. deep, 8 ft. having been sunk during the month in a lode 38 ins. wide with 2.8 dwts.

Crosscuts for slope filling amount to 74 ft.

Stopes. Above the 260 ft. level there are two stopes working. The lode is 83 ins. wide and assays 4.42 dwts.

Above the 80 ft. level there is one stop being worked. The lode is 150 ins. wide and assays 3.0 dwts.

Surface Works. During the month we have mined and crushed 6,439 tons of surface ore.

Milling. Four Willey Tables recovered 28 tons of concentrates which quantity was crushed in our Grit Mills with 37 tons of old tailings, the whole yielding ten ounces of bullion.

General.—The station for the new pumps at Bt. Koman are now completed. So also are the excavations for the extensions of the stamp battery. The last remaining new section of the flume at Sempan has been connected.

Milling Returns.—Bt. Koman. 40 stamps ran 25.2 days, lost time 2.8 days due to delays from Power Station 0.37 days remainder to repairs, dressing plates, and cleaning up.

Stone crushed Bt. Koman 1,924 tons Anderson 658 East Lode 26

Huntington Mill ran 23.75 days, lost time 3.25 days due to delays from Power Station, replacing bevel gearing, putting in new ring die and driver.

Surface ore crushed from Anderson 1,920.

Total tons crushed at Bt. Koman Mills 4,598.

Amalgam. Spunge. Bullion. Stamp Mill 1,047 382 380.45 Hunting Mill 659 313 311.00 Grit Mill 32 11 10.00

1,737 706 701.45 Bt. Malacca. Two Huntington Mills ran 25.2 days, lost time 2.8 days due to patching the base of Mill No. ii, repairs, and cleanups.

Surface ore crushed (a) from Bt. Jellia 3,774 tons (b) from Bt. Buloh 675 tons, a total of 4,449 tons, producing amalgam 752 ozs., yielding 377.1 oz. bullion.

Average yield per ton Bt. K. Mills 3.051 dwts.

Average value per ton Bt. Tailings 0.73 dwts.

Average yield per ton Bt. B. M. Mills 1.805 dwts.

Totals. Stone crushed 9,047 tons. Amalgam collected 2,482 ozs. Smelted Gold 1,078.55 ozs. Average Fineness 907.41 Yield per ton 2,384 dwts.

Frank Williams, Manager.

Royal Colonial Institute.

At a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute held on 7th inst., Lt. General Sir Bayan Edwards, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., in the chair, the following amongst others were elected Non-Resident Fellows:—Mr. Frank D. Evans, Kuala Lumpur; Mr. Harry C. Hancock, Hongkong, and Mr. Alfred J. Harrison, Singapore.

Capt. P. O. Lewis, R.N.

Captain Frank Oswald Lewis, who has been chosen to succeed Captain J. D. Kelly as Superintendent of Physical Training at Portsmouth, is one of the youngest officers on the list, having but turned his fortieth birthday observes, *Truth* of April 1. He has a record of busy service as a commander, beginning with two years at the Shotley Training Establishment, a commission in the Warwick, followed by another in the King Alfred when she was flagship to Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton on the China Station, and then a spell in the Cumberland, cadet sea-going training ship, lasting until his promotion in June last.

Public Companies

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA.

NOTICE

FROM this date Mr. FREDERICK MORGAN will assume the management of the South China Agency of this Company.

ALEX. L. STEIN Hongkong, 27th April, 1914.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, on THURSDAY the 14th. MAY, 1914, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of presenting the REPORT of the DIRECTORS, together with a statement of Accounts to 28th. February 1914, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 30th. April to the 14th. May 1914, both days inclusive.

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EISHI ONO, Manager. Hongkong, 6th April, 1913. [18]

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PATHANS ARRIVE.

120th Baluchis to leave on Monday.

The R.I.M.S. Dufferin arrived in the Harbour yesterday with the 40th Pathans on board. The regiment has come to relieve the 120th Baluchistan Infantry which leaves for Karachi via Colombo on Monday next.

The Dufferin which is under the command of Captain H. S. Balfour R. I. M. left Calcutta on April 20 calling at Singapore for coal on the way out. Fine weather prevailed throughout the voyage. The passenger list was made up as follows:—

40th Pathans:—Lieut. Col. F. Rennick; Major A. E. O. Perkins; Capt. A. C. P. Cookran, wife and child; Capt. E. S. Waters, wife and child; Capt. J. F. O. Dalmahoy and wife; Capt. L. de L. Christy and wife; Lieut. E. Segar; Lieut. B. H. Bonham-Carter; Captain J. G. B. Shand, I.M.S.; Lieut. Mann (40th Punjabis); Miss Antrobus (Nurse); 16 Indian Officers; 2 Sub Asst. Surgeons; 333 N.C.O.'s and men; 50 Public Followers; 33 Private Followers.

Details:—Captain H. Gillies, Garrison Staff; T. S. Major O. Robinson Presy, Bde. Staff.

25th Punjabis:—13 N.C.O.'s and men.

24th (Hazarat) Mountain Battery:—3 N.C.O.'s and men.

PRIZE MONEY ABOLISHED

The Board of Admiralty have decided to commend to the Government the abolition of prize-money, says Mr. Churchill.

There is a strong feeling among naval officers that the private enrichment of individuals by acts arising out of warfare is not compatible with the highest conception of the military or naval profession. It has been abolished in connection with the Army, and a belief it is in accordance with the best naval opinion that a similar step should be taken in regard to the Navy. The question of issuing some grant or bounty to the sailors during the course of a war in consideration of the change which has been made is one which should receive the attention of the Treasury.

Here, a Chapter of Romance which will seriously affect the boy's novelties!

THE CMSN. CO.

Question in the Commons.

In the House of Commons on April 8, Sir J. D. Lees asked Sir Edward Grey whether a controlling interest in the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company has been acquired by mortgage by the Japanese Government; though, according to the charter of the company, no foreigner can hold shares, and, if so, in view of this fact and seeing that the control has been acquired by Japan in the case also of the Hanyang Corporation, whether His Majesty's Government proposes to take any action to protect special British interests in the Yangtze Valley by assisting the Chinese Government with a loan for the purpose of purchasing those undertakings or in any other manner.

Mr. Acland, who replied, said: The answer to the first part of the question is in the negative, as far as I am aware. His Majesty's Government are fully alive to the necessity of safeguarding British interests in the Yangtze Valley, but there could be no question of His Majesty's Government furnishing a loan for the purpose mentioned by the hon. member.

Women at Westminster.

A joint advisory committee of members of Parliament and women social workers has recently been formed, and will hold its first meeting shortly at the House of Commons.

I propose that legislation concerning women and children, when actually before Parliament, shall be discussed by the joint advisory committee and its sub-committees. A great advantage of the scheme in the eyes of its promoters is that it should become a permanent means of bringing the organized opinion of women to bear on Parliament.

It is hoped that the new body may gradually become one of the women's side, largely if not wholly elective.

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A. BUNE.

POST OFFICE.

On and after the 15th inst., the Western Branch Post Office will be closed to the public at 8.30 p.m. The night mail for Canton will be closed at 9.30 p.m. Any letters posted up to 9.30 p.m. will be included in the mail.

Chinese registered correspondence will not be delivered on a signature only. The Chop of a firm of standing will be required in addition. The Postman has instructions not to part with any registered article until the above regulation has been complied with.

The Paul Locat, with the American Mail, ex Siberia, is scheduled to arrive here on Monday, the 4th inst.

MAILS DUE.

American, P. Locat, 4th May.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London April 11
Shanghai April 27.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY

Straits & Ceylon:—Per NUBIA, 1st May, 5 p.m.
Shanghai & North China Japan via Kobe:—Per FURST BULOZ, 1st May, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, N. China & Japan via Moji:—NOVARA, 1st inst. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Holhow & Bangkok:—Per MACHEW, 2nd May, 8 a.m.
Shanghai North China and Japan via Yokohama:—Per NIPPON MARU, 2nd May, 11 a.m.

Straits, India via Calcutta:—Per KUISANG, 2nd inst. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands:—Per YUENSANG, 2nd May 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands:—Per ZAFIRO, 2nd May, 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia):—Per KANOHOW, 2nd May, 5 p.m.

To make connection with the Tsingpu train leaving Shanghai on Thursday, the 7th May.

Shanghai, & North China:—Per LOKSANG, 2nd May 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 3rd May.

Swatow:—Per HAIMUN, 3rd May 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Tamsui:—Per DAIGI MARU, 3rd May 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 4th May.

Straits, Ceylon India via Bombay:—Per PERISA, 4th May, 3 p.m.

Shanghai & North China:—Per ESANG, 4th May, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 5th May.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow:—Per HAI-CHING, 5th May, 10 a.m.

Shanghai and North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria B. C. & Seattle, Wash.:—Per TAMBA MARU, 5th inst. 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents). Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail:—Per P. LOCAT, 5th May, 11 a.m.

Shanghai & North China:—Per SIANG-CHOW, 5th inst. 5 p.m.

Philippine Islands:—Per CHINHOA 5th May 3 p.m.

Japan via Nagasaki:—Per KUMANO MARU, 5th May 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 6th May.

Straits & Ceylon:—Per MISHIMA M., 6th May, 9 a.m.

Takhol & Hainan:—Per SUNGKIANG, 6th May, 9 a.m.

Swatow:—Per HAIMUN 6th May, 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania & New Zealand via Thursday Is.:—Per NIKKO MARU, 6th May 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China & Japan via Kobe:—Per G. APCAR, 6th May, 2 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama:—Per FOKSANG, 6th May, 5 p.m.

Shanghai & North China:—Per KWONG-SANG, 6th May, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, 7th May.

Shanghai & North China:—Per LU-CHOW, 7th May 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, 8th May.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow:—Per HAITAN, 8th May, 10 a.m.

Straits & India via Calcutta:—Per LOVAT, 8th May, 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, 9th May.

Formosa via Keelung, Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, U. S., South America & Canada via San Francisco:—Per KOREA, 9th inst. 11 a.m.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents). (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. (Extra Postage 10 cents). (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 8th inst. 5 p.m.—Per ASSAYE, 9th, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands:—Per LOONGSANG, 9th May 1 p.m.

Shanghai & North China (Europe via Siberia):—Per CHENAN, 9th inst. 5 p.m.

To make connection with the Tsingpu train leaving Shanghai on Thursday the 14th inst. at 8 a.m.

MONDAY, 11th May.

Jessellton, Kudat and Sandakan:—Per BORNEO, 11th May 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, 12th May.

Philippine Islands:—Per TAMING, 12th May 9 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Bohemia, Aus. s.s. 4300, Meerans, 30th ult.—Singapore, 25th ult. Gen.—S. W. & Co.

C. Diederichsen, Ger. s.s. 774, N. Frandsen, 30th ult.—Hobrow, 29th ult. Gen.—J. & Co.

Chingchow, Br. s.s. 1,195, J. Doyle, 1st inst.—Kwang-yen, 29th ult. Cement Steamer, S. W. & Co.

Elger, Norw. s.s. 675, E. Fingelsen, 30th ult.—Newchwang, 23rd ult. Gen.—Chinese.

G. Apcar, Br. s.s. 2,961, J. E. Drake, 1st inst.—Calcutta, 15th ult. Gen.—D. S. & Co.

Halmun, Br. s.s. 641, J. W. Evans, 1st inst.—Swatow, 30th ult. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Hong Won I, Br. s.s. 2,060, J. Mason, 30th ult.—Singapore, 25th ult. Gen.—Order.

Kanukuk, Br. s.s. 2,594, P. A. Saunders, 30th ult.—Hongkong, 15th ult. Bal.—S. W. & Co.

Minnesota, Am. s.s. 30, 711, J. W. Fadock, 1st inst.—Seattle, 28th Mar. Gen.—G. N. S. & Co.

Nubia, Br. s.s. 3,693, F. J. Fox, 1st inst.—Shanghai, 28th ult. Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Tamon Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,542, Nomura, 30th inst.—Moji, 24th ult. Coal.—M. B. G. K.

Chinhua, Br. s.s. Findlayson, 1st inst.—Manila, 28th ult. Gen.—B. & S.

DEPARTED.

May 1.

E. of Japan Vancouver via Shanghai: Johannes for Haiphong

Tung Shing for Saigon

Amoy for Shanghai

Kirin Maru for Calcutta via Singapore

Helene for Tourane via Hoilow

Furst Bulow for Yokohama via Shanghai

Keungwai for Singapore via Hoilow

Kina for Yokohama via Keelung

Kanchow for Canton

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

May 1.

Pongtong for Singapore via Swatow

Aldenharn for Melbourne

Lundrat Scheff for Swatow

Chingchow for Kwangyong

C. Jensen for Bangkok via Swatow

Struga for Yokohama via Shang nai

Wuchow for Foochow

Novara for Yokohama via Shanghai

Nubia for Antwerp via Singapore

Passengers Arrived.

Per s.s. Nubia from Shanghai for Hongkong on the 1st inst.—F. Vidy, F. A. Nixon.

Per s.s. Chinhua from Manila on the 1st inst.—Mr. & Mrs. Villiers, Mr. E. Villiers.

Miss Osberg.

Per s.s. G. Apcar from Calcutta etc. on the 1st inst.—Gotts, Tozer, Caldwell and Son.

Per s.s. Minnesota from Seattle etc. on the 1st inst.—Miss I. K. Greenlee, Miss V. M. Wilcox, Miss A. Bouty, Mrs. M. B. Eberle, Mrs. M. & G. Gay, Miss L. G. Gay, F. W. Baker, Miss P. E. Pettit, Mrs. L. A. Shaw, P. A. Atwater, Mrs. F. A. Atwater, Mrs. M. Hill, Mrs. C. B. Ellis, Mrs. L. Kletch, Mrs. A. Kletch, Mr. Alotzch, J. B. Squier, Dr. H. To, Mrs. C. S. Jackson, P. M. Heron, Mrs. F. M. Heron, Dr. R. N. Sullivan, H. O. Rutherford, Mrs. H. J. Jower, Mrs. C. A. Choy, C. Heng, P. Kong.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 1st at 11.55—The anticyclone is now central between the Bonins and Japan.

Pressure has increased slightly over Tonking and the Philippines.

It is lowest over Annam and the western portion of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.99 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood:—E. winds, moderate; moderate; some rain.

2 Formosa Channel:—N.E. winds, moderate to fresh.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook:—The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan:—The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

1st May, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Wind. Force. Weather.

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Nemuro 6a 30.01 30 0 0

Hakodate 2a 29.99 30 0 0

Tokio 2a 30.19 30 0 0

Kochi 2a 30.03 30 0 0

Nagasaki 2a 30.08 30 0 0

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